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NEARLY one hundred seats have already been sold for the Swedish Lady Vocal Quartet concert, on Friday night. Plenty more the early.

ARTOMMAS, the world-renowned harp soloist, who attained unbounded popularity in Europe, is with the Swedish Lady Quartet, and will appear in his magnificent harp performances on Friday night. In speaking of his performance in that city the Liverpool Daily *Post* says: "He not only delighted but astonished us with the unutterable sweetness of his harp."

A good farm wagon is an important part of a farmer's outfit. Having said this much it is proper to suggest that the place to procure this important article in a farmer's "kit" of tools is at D. F. Hamsher's wagon factory on Mason street.—Ready made work of the first quality is always on hand, and those who want wagons made to order can be accommodated in the shortest possible time.

Whitaker's cash house, at Macon, is noted for the superior quality of goods sold and the low prices at which they are disposed of. People who desire to study economy in these hard times will consult their interest by calling there.

LIFE is but short, but we should do all we can to prolong it. Check a cough or cold at once, and use an old, reliable remedy such as Dr. Ball's Cough Syrup.

CAMILLA URSO.—We are pleased to hear that Mr. St. Ormond, the agent of the Camilla Urso Concert Company, has decided to present this talented company, including the great violinist, in one concert, at Smith's Opera House, on Saturday evening, Dec. 22. Upwards of one hundred of our best families have pledged themselves to attend this grand entertainment in order to insure its presentation here. This will undoubtedly prove the music event of the season.

CHROMOS GIVEN WITH MARRIAGE CERTIFICATES.—A. W. Palmer, Esq., our worthy Justice of the Peace, whose office is over Ehrman's store, in Powers' Block, on East Main street, gives a beautiful chromo to each couple that he marries. It is needless to say that his generosity is appreciated by the recipients of his gift.

From Wednesday's Daily.

TEMPERANCE AT CERRO GORDO.—Last night E. B. Moore and Geo. W. Lyon held a temperance meeting at Cerro Gordo, which was largely attended, the church in which it was held being crowded to its full capacity. The boys made stirring speeches, and the meeting was enthusiastic as well as large. The people of Cerro Gordo are wide awake in the cause, and are bound to push the temperance work along. We understand that another meeting is to be held soon, and it is the purpose of the temperance people there to have at least one meeting each week during the winter.

AT COST.

We will hereafter confine our business exclusively to millinery, and will sell our stock of notions now on hand *at cost*.

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It will be to your advantage to call and see HENRY SHEPHERD, before arranging with others to cut your pattern, or make your suits to *suit*. [dec13-wtf

From Monday's Daily.

THE LOST IS FOUND.

Return of Frank Falconer.

Like a clap of thunder in a clear sky came the news yesterday morning of the return of Frank Falconer. At first it was disbelieved by most people, but as he attempted no concealment of himself, and went about the streets and into public places just as though nothing had happened, the truth soon came to be generally accepted that he had really returned. In answer to the flood of inquiries that poured in upon him his usual remark was, "Can't a man go away on a business trip for a few days, without having everybody make a fuss about it?" He was somewhat reticent as to his whereabouts during his absence, but claimed that he had done nothing criminal, and that he was still in the employ of Bond & Allerdice. He seemed pained on account of the reports in circulation with reference to him, and considered them an imputation on his character. He said that if a legal investigation of the whole matter was made it would establish his entire innocence.

Early in the forenoon officer Brockway arrested Falconer on a warrant issued by Justice Albert some two weeks ago, the necessary affidavit having been made by an officer of the First National Bank of Lincoln. This warrant, it is understood, was based upon the charge that Falconer had negotiated at the bank named a draft drawn by Rucker, Hammer & Co., after he knew that they had failed. In the absence of Justice Albert the officer took his prisoner before Justice Peake, who fixed his bail at $3,000. Efforts were made to secure sureties, but were unavailing, and in the evening Falconer was turned over to the sheriff for safe keeping.

When Falconer was arrested yesterday the bank officers in Lincoln were notified by telegraph, and to-day Mr. J. E. Hill arrived with a warrant issued in Logan county. The case before Justice Peake was thereupon dismissed, and Falconer was re-arrested on the other warrant. An arrangement was made to suit the convenience of his attorneys, Messrs. Crea & Ewing, to postpone the hearing at Lincoln until to-morrow, and the prisoner remains in the custody of officer Brockway until the departure of the morning train on the P., L. & D. road. To our reporter Falconer insisted that he was entirely innocent of any criminal act, and, turning to the officer from Lincoln, said, "Hill don't think he has anything of a case against me",—to which that gentleman responded by eloquently saying not a word. Falconer evidently expects to be discharged after he has a preliminary hearing at Lincoln to-morrow.

From Tuesday's Daily.

THE FALCONER CASE.

Everything pertaining to Frank Falconer is of interest now; we therefore reproduce the following, which appeared in the Indianapolis *Journal*, of Monday:

It is learned that Falconer, the defaulting agent of Bond & Alderdice, has been arrested at Dayton, Ohio, under the assumed name of G. E. Wise. The Cincinnati *Enquirer* gives the following version of the arrest, which was made at the Beckel House:

"This morning as the young man came down to the office to get the morning papers, preparatory to breakfast, he was confronted by Mr. Bond with a loaded pistol, and of course capitulated. He was taken to his room, where it was arranged between them that he return to Toledo and make a clean breast of the affair and be discharged. This was agreed to by Mr. Bond, since he is of the opinion that Falconer is more sinned against than sinning. It appears that Falconer, as a traveling agent for the firm, made the acquaintance of bankers and others at different points in Indiana; that among them a game was built upon Bond & Alderdice. The forged paper having matured is being sued upon by the bankers, and the cases can be beaten only by the testimony (confession) of Falconer, and when he makes this he is to go acquit. The party left for Toledo by the forenoon train."

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FRANK FALCONER.—The news from Lincoln is to the effect that Falconer's hearing before the justice has been postponed until to-morrow, to give the prosecution time to secure the attendance of witnesses. Bail was fixed at $8,000, in default of which Frank was retained in custody of the sheriff, who took him to his house but did not put him behind the bars.

I wish to call your attention to the fact that in consequence of our enormous sales last Christmas, when we exhibited the $25,000 stock of jewelry, I have made arrangements for even a *larger stock* this year, which is now daily arriving. Don't buy holiday jewelry until you have at least seen my stock, which will, during the holidays, exceed all the combined stocks in the city. Everything warranted as represented. OTTO E. CURTIS.

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Christmas Dinner and Supper.—The young ladies of the Christian Church in this city, will give a public dinner and supper at the opera house, on Christmas day and evening. This festival will be first-class in every respect, and fully up to the excellence of like entertainments given by the ladies of this church in the past.

Finest Writing Desks and Albums ever shown in the city, at

Dec. 5—dw&s&w J. M. STOOKEY & Co.'s.

THE POOR.

The ladies have organized their relief society for the coming winter. At a meeting held in the First M. E. Church, Dec. 1, the following officers were chosen:

President—Mrs. Thos. Hays.

Vice President—Mrs. H. Bishop.

Secretary—Miss Cora Bonesteel.

Treasurer—J. R. Gorin.

Executive Committee—Mrs. Mary Kinney, Mrs. H. Bishop, Mrs. Berlin, Mrs. Thomas Hays, Mrs. Z. T. Blaine, Miss A. Culver, Mrs. Wm. Niedermyer, Mrs. H. Baker, Miss Cora Bonesteel.

The following ward committees were appointed:

1st Ward—Mrs. Berlin, Mrs. David Martin and Mrs. L. Cool.

2d Ward—Mrs. Givler, Mrs. L. L. Haworth and Miss A. Culver.

3d Ward—Mrs. Greer, Mrs. Crea and Mrs. B. Smith.

4th Ward—Mrs. Mosser, Mrs. Moeller and Mrs. Scott.

5th Ward—Mrs. Weed, Mrs. Cox and Mrs. Ransdell.

From Monday's Daily.

THE LARGEST YET.

The largest temperance meeting that has gathered since the tabernacle was abandoned, convened at the court house on Saturday evening. Not only were all the seats taken, but large numbers were compelled to stand.

J. B. McDonald, president of the Reform Club, presided.

As usual the meeting was opened with singing and prayer, after which Rev. Dr. Leaton made a brief address, which was full of good thoughts which were presented in a clear and forcible manner.

At the conclusion of this address the chairman introduced Rev. C. E. Page, of Cleveland, who had been announced as the principal speaker of the evening, and who made a very able and instructive address. The arguments presented by the speaker in favor of temperance were strong and convincing, and were presented in a manner that held the closest attention of the large audience.

At the close of this address the "Temperance Banner" was sung by the congregation, under the lead of D. L. Bunn, Esq.; and in response to an invitation over twenty persons came forward and signed the pledge.

Another meeting was announced for Saturday evening of next week, and the congregation slowly retired, some seeming loth to leave the place. In the matter of enthusiasm, the meeting was equal to any yet held.

WARRENSBURG ITEMS.

WARRENSBURG, ILL., Dec. 10, 1877.

EDS. REPUBLICAN:—There has been much sickness in these parts during the past two months. If it was the sickly season of the year it would keep three physicians busily engaged waiting upon the sick, and the principle sickness is the typhoid fever; but, fortunately for Warrensburg, Dr. McDonald has settled here. He is a young man of remarkable skill and ability as a physician, and meets with almost unequalled success as a practical physician. He is gaining a reputation by a philanthropic spirit that is bound to crown him with laurels. Dr. Randall is also successful.

The weather is good, the roads becoming more smooth, and business is beginning to stick up here even. Some business men say that during the next twelve months times will be harder than they have been in the past.

On the evening of Thanksgiving day a protracted meeting was commenced at the Church of God, and is increasing in interest. Up to the present time seven have made the good profession, out of which two were reclaimed backsliders. Last night, the 10th, the house was overcrowded. There were many who could not be seated, but stood quietly during the services, but were much crowded, and many left. AMERICUS.

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A HUGE RUNAWAY.—This morning as the performing bears were entertaining a large crowd of men and boys on the old square, the horses of Mr. D. A. Reeme, which were attached to his express wagon, took fright at the animals, and started off at a brisk run, he being in the wagon, and pulling vigorously at the reins. The animals soon got the advantage of their driver, and went dashing northward on Main street to Prairie, where they turned east and ran as far as the post office, where, with the assistance of bystanders they were brought to a halt. In his efforts to control his team, Mr. Reeme was thrown upon the wagon tongue, between the horses, and for a short time his position was a very precarious one. As good luck would have it, no harm was done to man or beast, though both were thoroughly frightened for a few moments.

The largest stock of corsets in French, German and American makes from the manufacturers direct, the best fitting for less money than at any other place at

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MACON COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT.

MONDAY, DEC. 10—AFTERNOON.

Court convened at 1 o'clock, and acted upon cases as follows:

CHANCERY DOCKET.

Emma Walker vs. Joseph Walker; divorce. Decree pro confesso.

Frank McCormick vs. Laura J. Wood; foreclosure. Bill dismissed by complainants.

Elizabeth May vs. David E. May; divorce. Decree pro confesso.

Jonas Winnick vs. Mary C. Winnick; divorce. Decree pro confesso.

Lucy E. Jones vs. Henry C. Jones; divorce. Cause heard; decision reserved.

Johanna Dipper vs. Gotleib Grob and Elizabeth Grob; foreclosure. Referred to Master to take proof.

John Burg vs. Elias and Mary L. Stouffer; foreclosure. Same order.

Frederick Miller vs. Sophia D. Miller; divorce. Decree pro confesso.

Michael Eichinger vs. Michael Wagoman; foreclosure. Referred to Master to take proof.

Helen L. Ormsby vs. George F. Wessels et al; foreclosure. Decree pro confesso against all defendants except Geo. F. Wessels.

Edward O. Smith et al vs. Samuel A. Beaman et al; chancery. Referred to Master to take proof.

Read Spencer vs. Emma Veech et al; foreclosure. Edward Vail appointed guardian ad litem for minor heirs.

Claybern Jones vs. Duncan A. Beggs et al; chancery. Referred to Master for computation.

David Martin vs. L. F. Muzzy et al; mechanics' lien. Death of Elizabeth Brisby suggested, and her legal representative made party defendant.

Timothy Logan et al, executors, etc., vs. Geo. W. McMillen; chancery. Referred to Master to take proof and for computation.

Augustus Harpstrite vs. Carroll Eads; foreclosure. Referred to Master for proof and computation.

COMMON LAW DOCKET.

Joseph Jones, administrator, vs. Samuel Camp; assumpsit. Trial by court; issues for plaintiff. Damages assessed, $4,918.66.

D. F. Hamsher vs. the City of Decatur; case. Continued.

Houston & Co. vs. Bendure & Co., appellants. Dismissed as per agreement on file.

Sirlet Stafford vs. Samuel T. Keeler; assumpsit. Defendant defaulted; damages $581.23.

Adjourned to 8½ o'clock, Tuesday morning.

TUESDAY, DEC. 11.

Court convened at 8½ o'clock, A. M., Judge Nelson presiding. The following cases received attention:

CHANCERY DOCKET.

Warren & Durfee vs. Andrew and Maggie Griner; foreclosure. Decree pro confesso. Referred to master for proof and computation.

Thos. B. Grady vs. Wm. Grady; foreclosure. Report of sale approved.

Hickman E. Foster vs. John and Mary Rinehart; chancery. Report of sale approved.

Abraham Levering vs. S. T. Keeler et al; foreclosure. Decree pro confesso. Referred to master for proof and computation.

COMMON LAW DOCKET.

Frank Meyer vs. Fred. Weifel; attachment. Defendant defaulted. Court assessed $410 22.

Joseph Walker vs. Maggie Hathaway; Replevin. Dismissed by plaintiff.

H. P. Christie et al., use of, etc., vs. Wm. Cantrill et al.; garnishee. Motion by defendant to quash garnishee denied in two cases.

John G. Shea vs. James B. Lane; appellant. Trial by jury, pending which court adjourned to 1 o'clock p. m.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 12.

Court convened at half-past 8 o'clock and acted upon cases as follows:

COMMON LAW DOCKET.

Alice C. Busby vs. Samuel W. Baum; attachment. Motion by plaintiff to make proof of publication.

Isaac N. Busby vs. Same; attachment. Same order.

The case of John G. Shea vs. James B. Lane. Trial by jury resumed and finished; verdict for plaintiff; damages, $35 10.—Motion by defendant for new trial.

Adjourned to 1 o'clock p. m.

LOEB'S IRON WORKS.—Mr. Loeb is constantly enlarging his iron works, this time building another cupola and otherwise improving his establishment. Mr. Loeb's business is increasing so rapidly that he finds it very difficult to fill his orders. In addition to making the castings for Haworth's Check Rower manufactory, he is filling large orders for Pierpont & Tuttle, plow and cultivator manufacturers, at Bushnell, Ill., as well as for houses in Bloomington, St. Louis, Peoria, Taylorville, and other places. Mr. Loeb now employs over 25 men, and will increase his force in a few days. We are glad that this important enterprise is establishing itself so permanently in our midst.

Have you been to the Farmers' Store, 37 North Church street, and looked over the stock of Groceries, Queens, Glass, Wood, Willow and Hard Wares that are to be exchanged for beef, pork, butter, lard, eggs, corn, oats, wood and greenbacks? E. B. PRATT.

Oct. 10—d& w3mo

Children's Overcoats, cheap, at B. Stine's. [nov7dtf

From Wednesday's Daily.

MORE THAN IMMENSE.

This is what may be said of the entertainment given by the Young Ladies Reform Club, last evening, at the lecture-room of the First M. E. Church. All the sitting-room in the large apartment was occupied, and the infant class room, in the rear, was also full, and many were obliged to stand. The room was beautifully decorated, and the tables, for fancy goods and refreshments, were arranged in the most tasteful manner.

The literary exercises were opened by the song, "King Bibbler's Army," which was rendered in fine style by Messrs. Bunn and Hall, and Misses N. L. Smith and Nettie Bowers, following which prayer was offered by Rev. W. G. Inman.

Following the prayer was a recitation by Miss Susie Newell, of the piece, "Go See What I have Seen," which was rendered in a manner highly creditable to that young lady.

Miss Fannie Shellabarger then sang the song entitled, "Beatrice," and performed her part of the programme admirably.

"The Sneezing man," as recited by A. V. Andrews, was a funny affair, and pleased the audience very much.

"Tell Me Where Love Reigns," was recited by little Dollie Crocker in a charming manner, which drew all hearts toward the juvenile performer.

Following this exercise was a violin solo, by Prof. Goodman, which was executed in that gentleman's usually skillful manner, and furnished a very pleasant variation of the exercises.

"The Grey Head," recited by Miss Fanny Shellabarger, was a good piece, and the manner of its rendition was as near faultless as it could well be.

"My Father is a Drunkard," was well sung by little Lizzie Kneiper.

Following which Rev. S. MacBurney read a selection entitled, "Brudder Anderson," which was done as only he can do it.

"Come, Rise with the Lark," was then sung in fine style by the quartette named above.

Misses Lizzie Alloways and Dollie Milliken presided at the organ.

The exercises of the evening were under the direction of Elder N. S. Haynes, who presided with ease and efficiency.

At the conclusion of the literary exercises came the feast of fat things, which had been provided by the young ladies in the line of refreshments, which consisted of oysters, ice cream, and an almost endless variety of cake. The good things furnished were abundant, and were arranged with the best of taste. The young ladies attending at the tables were attentive and obliging; and this part of the entertainment, like the other, was a grand success.

The tables devoted to fancy articles were liberally patronized, and the disposition of the articles on sale furnished amusement for the crowd, as well as skekels for the club.

The young ladies are to be congratulated upon the success of the affair, and may well be encouraged to try again.

A Pardonable Pride

Prompts most people to delay, by any laudable means that science affords, the evidences of physical decay. Who that is in perfect health would not match the bright eye, the active mind, and other appearances of youthful vigor, with the luxuriance, the rich color, and beauty of youthful hair? Parker's *Hair Balsam* stands pre-eminent as an elegant hair dressing, and by its healthful action on the roots not only promotes a luxuriant growth of the young hair, but unfailingly restores gray or faded hair to the original youthful color, giving a soft, rich and lustrous appearance of great beauty. No other preparation so effectually removes Dandruff or stops falling of the hair; its cooling and healing action entirely curing itching and humors of the scalp and keeping the skin clean, white and healthy. It is perfectly harmless, exquisitely perfumed, and contains nothing that will soil the skin or gum the hair. It is not a dye, and is unequaled for excellence and purity. Buy a bottle from your druggist, W. C. Armstrong, and test its merits.

THE SWEDISH LADY QUARTET.—The coming of these talented and popular vocalists to our city is anticipated with much pleasure by our people, and seats are being taken rapidly. The voice of the press in those cities where this Quartet has appeared, is unanimous in pronouncing the entertainment one of the best now before the public. Below are a few words from the Philadelphia *Press*, which indicate the estimate placed upon the concert there:

The second grand concert by the Swedish Lady Vocal Quartet attracted an unusually large and fashionable audience at the Academy of Music last evening.—A more delightful entertainment could not have been desired. The vocal selections were exquisitely perfect pieces of melody. Gifted with voices remarkably pure and sympathetic, the ladies are enabled to interpret all the beauties of the songs with a harmony and unity absolutely perfect. It is not necessary to particularize any one piece; they all possessed characteristic beauties of their own, and were well selected, with admirable judgment, displaying, as they did, the sweetness and purity of the individual voices and the various phases of musical expression of the far Northern lands.

Dr. Marshall's Lung Syrup speaks for itself. It seems everybody recommends it as the most reliable remedy for coughs, colds and pulmonary complaints. Price 25 cents a bottle. Sold by all druggists. [Dec 11 d&w1w

Call at S. Einstein's and buy 20 yards of dark calico for $1. [12-d1w

AN ENTERPRISING JEWELER.

We have frequently had occasion to speak of the enterprise and snap displayed by Otto E. Curtis, the East Main street jeweler, who never fails to show by his acts that he is fully up with the times, and resolved to be in the front rank among the live business men of Decatur. A good subject never wears out, and though we have often spoken of Mr. Curtis's superb stock and his matchless enterprise, both will bear mention again.

Everybody knows that the holiday season is the time when jewelry and silverware are in greatest demand, and dealers in that line are therefore always most active about this time of year. To meet this demand Mr. Curtis has laid in such a stock of goods as was never brought to Decatur before. Some of this stock is already on his shelves and in his show-cases, and more will come in a day or two. In completeness and beauty this stock would be hard to surpass, comprising as it does every class of goods suited to the wants of our people. All the latest styles of jewelry, and the most beautiful specimens of silverware are to be found in his store, and at prices much below those which have ruled heretofore. It should be borne in mind, too, that Mr. Curtis is a responsible dealer, able to make good all his promises, and his regular rule is to *warrant all goods to be as represented.*—People who buy of him, therefore, can rely upon getting just what they bargain for.

Go and see his stock, and you cannot fail to be pleased. Learn his prices, and you will be satisfied. Buy his goods and you will be happy.

THE SPRINGFIELD EXCURSION.

A nicer day could not have been for the excursion to Springfield than was vouchsafed. By half-past 12 the Union depot platform was alive with people, most of them there for the purpose of going on the trip. About 15 minutes after one the train, consisting of five passenger coaches and one baggage car, pulled out from the depot, and by that time every car was about as full as it could comfortably be. On arriving at the Water street crossing the train halted, and nearly a hundred more people got on—so that when the party left this point the cars could well be said to be packed with humanity.

Among those who went were Wm. Martin, Sen., Elder Buck and Rev. Mr. MacBurney. Of young men we noticed "Doc." Maffit, Frank Caldwell, Charley Dempsey, and a host of others. The party was composed largely of ladies, and several gentlemen were accompanied by their families. Among the latter we noticed Mr. M. P. Murphey and wife, Capt. Bingham and members of his family.

Frank Priest was marshal of the day, assisted by Mr. John B. McDonald, president of the reform club.

Numerically the excursion is a success, and all will wish the party a safe return.

Sound Reasons for Faith.

The American people are shrewd and observant. They are not often deceived by sham pretensions; but when they are, they soon discover their error. If Hostetter's Stomach Bitters had been a sham, they would long since have discarded it, but finding that there was not a claim put forth in its behalf that its curative properties did not justify, they immediately gave it the preference to every article of its class. Time has only served to strengthen their faith, and has increased its popularity to an extent almost beyond parallel, even in this age of successful proprietary medicines. It ranks foremost among the standard preparations of the day, and is endorsed by the medical fraternity and the newspaper press. It overcomes and prevents fever and ague and other malarial disorders with wondrous certainty, tones the system, banishes dyspepsia, remedies constipation and liver complaint, relieves gout, rheumatism, and affections of the bladder and kidneys.

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TEMPERANCE CONVENTION.

A convention composed of five delegates from each Alliance or Union in the county will be held at the Reform Club room, in Decatur, on Monday, the 17th inst., at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of organizing a County Union. It is hoped that every alliance or union will be fully represented.

D. L. BUNN,
F. PRIEST,
J. R. GORIN.

DECTUR, ILL., Dec. 11th, 1877.

Don't You Forget It!—For if you are BILIOUS, or are troubled with LIVER COMPLAINT, DYSPEPSIA or CONSTIPATION MALARION WILL CURE YOU. 75 cents per bottle. All druggists sell it.

Dec. 6—wtf

MARRIED.

At the residence of W. H. Addis, 66 South Main Street, Dec. 12th, 1877, by Elder N. S. Haynes, R. D. ADDIS and MISS ELIZABETH C. BOYER, all of this city.

Dec. 12th, 1877, by Judge S. F. Greer, at his office, MR. JAMES ESKRIDGE and MISS MATTIE WILCOX, both of Piatt county, Ills.

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The Weekly Republican.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1877.

BLAINE has returned to Washington, still feeble in health but with all his mental vigor and fire. It is said that on the occasion of his first speech in the senate he will not attempt to curb his inclination to "give it to Hayes."

SHERIFF HITCHCOCK, of Peoria, is still receiving boxes of goods left at various places by the desperado, Rande. The last one was from Normal, and contained a Sibley tent and a lot of wearing apparel.

WE have received the initial number of the *Champaign County Herald*, published at Urbana by A. T. Lewis & Co. The *Herald* is a fine eight column paper, and is a model of clear and handsome typography. It is republican in politics, and its editorial columns show evidences of ability and vim in the sanctum. We place the *Herald* on our exchange list, and wish it every imaginable success.

THE California legislature is in session, and will elect a senator next Tuesday to succeed Sargent. Both houses are democratic. The chief question of the state seems to be that of Chinese immigration, against which the governor takes strong grounds in his message.

JUDGE HUMPHREYS, of Washington, has rendered his decision in the *habeas corpus* case of Senator Patterson, in which he rules that the senator is not a fugitive from justice," he being at the national capital in performonce of his public duties, and therefore the requisition of Gov. Hampton can not be granted.

THE proposition now is to trump up an indictment against Kellogg, in Louisiana—which will not be very difficult with the state government in the hands of the conciliated democracy—issue a requisition for him, and take him to New Orleans and thence to the penitentiary. The same is to be done with Spencer, of Alabama. By this plan the Democracy can yet succeed in capturing the United States senate.

THE democratic members of the house of representatives no not seem to "rise above party" very much; in fact, they don't appear to make any effort in that direction. The contested election case from Colorado came up yesterday, all the democrats on the committee favoring the admission of Patterson, the democrat who claims the seat by virtue of an election that was unauthorized by law. Hayes' example of "rising above party" was evidently thrown away.

GOV. CULLOM and his party arrived at Cairo on Tuesday afternoon, *en route* to New Orleans, and were made the recipients of distinguished honors by the authorities and people of the Egyptian capital. An address of welcome by the postmaster, a visit to the public schools, a reception at the club rooms of the temperance societies, and a grand ball and banquet formed the chief features of the occasion.

ORDERS have at length been issued for the concentration of a respectable body of troops on the Mexican frontier, and the cattle stealing Aztecs of that region will doubtless soon be surprised by a show of something like martial vigor on the part of our government.—If the Mexicans are itching for a fight the chance should not be refused them; and even if the advent of a considerable American force on the Rio Grande should suddenly abate their warlike ardor the present opportunity to punish the marauders and put them out of the way of any future raiding should not be allowed to pass.

HON. JOHN D. HOWLAND, of Indianapolis, clerk and master in chancery to the United States courts, died suddenly at his residence in that city, on Wednesday evening. He had been in his usual health up to within two hours of his death, and went home at five o'clock from his office, taking his place at the dinner table with his family, but when he took up the knife and fork to carve his hands became unsteady, and he rose from the table, went to a sofa and died in a few minutes. His death was caused by paralysis, brought on by overwork. He was 59 years of age, and was widely known and highly esteemed. Judge Gallagher, of this city, and Hon. W. J. Henry, of Shelbyville, were in his office at four o'clock, and arranged with him to appear before him as master the next morning, to try a chancery case. In three hours after he was a corpse.

From Saturday's Daily.

A GROSS INJUSTICE.

When the board of supervisors met last Monday there was a balance of something over $4,000 in the county treasury. It was well-known that this amount would not be sufficient to meet the orders issued during the term, and by order of the board the finance committee negotiated with one or more of the city banks for a temporary loan, to enable the treasurer to pay the orders. For some reason the board afterwards concluded that the creditors of the county might as well wait until next spring for their money, *unless they were willing to submit to a shave at the hands of the banks or speculators*, and by a majority vote rescinded the resolution providing for the loan. The consequence was that the balance in the treasury was drawn out as fast as the clerk could fill out the orders of those who had learned of the action of the board, and those creditors of the county who were so unfortunate as not to be advised of the facts will be compelled to wait for nearly six months, or stand a shave of from five to ten per cent. on their orders. It is a shameful fact that among those who crowded around the clerk's desk to get their orders as soon as the board adjourned were most of the supervisors who had voted against the loan. They were willing to favor a temporary repudiation of the debts of the county, but did not want it to apply until they had raked in their own *per diem* and mileage.

The injustice of this action of the board is apparent. Persons who have performed service or furnished goods to the county have done so upon the understanding—either expressed or implied—that they would receive their pay at the next meeting of the board. Their arrangements have been made accordingly, and for the board to put them off another quarter or half year is equivalent to the temporary repudiation of an honest obligation. The county has no more right to do business in this way than an individual, and a man who buys goods or employs men under the promise of pay at a given time, and then puts off the pay day three or six months, entirely on his own notion and to save himself a few dollars, is justly regarded as a disreputable man. The money could have been borrowed at 10 per cent., and if the amount had been $6,000, and the time 90 days, the expense to the county would only have been $150—a mere trifle. But to save this sum a majority of the board of supervisors decided that the holders of county orders should be compelled to wait until the March meeting for their money, or submit to a shave aggregating $500 or $600. In pinching times like these people who *can* pay their debts and *don't*, ought to receive the condemnation of everybody. The county *can* pay, but a majority of the board of supervisors say that it *shall not*. It is to be regretted that the vote on rescinding the resolution that authorized the loan was not recorded, so that the people might see which members of the board were so lax in their ideas as to what is right and just in the ordinary business transactions of life. We understand that the question was decided by a rising vote.

KIND WORDS.

We always like to hear people speak well of their neighbors, and we threfore can not too strongly deprecate the existence of the feud between the editors of the *Sun* and the *Review*, which prompts the latter to publish squibs like the following, which appears in Brother Bayne's paper of this week:

Kimball, in addition to his lunacy and his lying hyperbolism, is also the champion newspaper murderer, as Haddock would say, of Central Illinois. His first victim in Decatur was the *Times*, which he laid away to rest, unwept, unhonored and unsung, but cursed by its subscribers who had paid in advance. And then he throttled the *Whip and Spur*, and choked it to death. Then he started the *Democratic Era*, and in four months knocked it in the head. Then a weekly called the *Home News*, was strangled to death. Added to this, he started and killed off a paper at Lovington. And all this within two years. Having been so successful in killing off his own progeny, he next stepped outside, and tackled the Decatur REPUBLICAN, but his attacks have only strengthened its stakes and increased its patrons. And now, in the *Sun*, he is swelling himself like a great overgrown, ugly toad, destined soon to burst itself, and then what a smell there will be, and the long, local tad-pole will be knocked higher than a kite. Go it while you're young, Kimball, for when you get old, you can't, you see.

A Good Cassimere Suit, the best in the market for $8.00, at

Nov. 12-d&w4w "CHEAP CHARLEY'S.

Cloaks at $4.50, $5.00, $8 00, $10.00, of the very best make at GOLDBURG'S

If you want a good boot or shoe of any kind, call on Barber & Baker.

Dec 3-d&wtf

WHY will people persist in sending us complimentary invitations "a day after the fair?" Here, we have just received a very handsomely engraved card of invitation over the signatures of Gen. G. T. Beauregard and Gen. Jubal A. Early, craving the honor of our presence at the "Grand Semi-Annual Distribution of the Louisiana State Lottery Company," which is to transpire at noon on Tuesday, Dec. 11th, at the Academy of Music, New Orleans.—Nothing short of the present of a 37 cent chromo would give us so much pleasure as to be on hand then and there, to witness the delightful operation of removing the financial cuticle from those credulous individuals who put their trust in lotteries "under the sole management" of such distinguished gentlemen and patriots as Generals Beauregard and Early. But the notice is too short. Our boots need half-soling, our best coat is just now undergoing its annual cleaning and renovating at the hands of our good friend Enoch G. Tucker, the only diamond pin to which we had a particle of title in fee has been "loaned to our uncle," and we are otherwise situated so as to make our coming upon such a brief notice impossible. We're sorry, but it can't be helped. We'll be there in the spirit though, if not in the flesh, and shall hover like a halo of conciliation over the glorified heads of the converted bulldozers. Selah.

HON. E. B. WASHBURNE, late minister to France, lectured last evening in Chicago on "The Siege of Paris and the Commune." Probably no man living is better qualified to speak on that subject than Mr. Washburne, who was within the beleagured city during the whole siege, and also while the Commune was in power. It is to be hoped that Mr. W. can be prevailed upon to repeat the lecture in other cities.

THE CHISHOLM MURDERERS.

Springfield Journal.

"Hanson," the Southern correspondent of the Cincinnati *Gazette*, has been visiting Jackson, Miss., while some of the parties connected with the murder of Judge Chisholm in Kemper county were on trial in the United States court there for interfering with political meetings. He writes that it was by way of preparation for this trial that Judge Chisholm and his associate Gilmer were murdered. All the other witnesses except two have been driven out of the state by the indicted democrats, and these two will probably be induced to follow before the end of January, the time to which the trial has been postponed.

The *Gazette* correspondent "interviewed" Mrs. Chisholm, who informed him that her husband's murderers consisted of his neighbors, many of whom owed him for the very bread which they ate on the day of his assassination. They were made up of people of all religious notions—only agreeing in being the blindest of democrats—including Catholics, Presbyterians, and she said she noticed two Methodist class leaders who were very active all through the matter.

There appears to be a determined feeling in Kemper county that the men who butchered Judge Chisholm and his family shall not be brought to answer for that crime, and the feeble sentiment in favor of justice that has been aroused in other parts of the State is not sufficient to set the machinery of the law in motion. It is not surprising under the circumstances, to read that the honest and law abiding are steadily disposing of their property and removing from the state. Mrs. Chisholm is anxious to dispose of her property in Mississippi, and, with the remnant of her family (two boys), remove to a Northern state. It is safe to say that a locality where assassination not only goes unpunished, but is approved, is a good one to remove from, and offers no inducement to the immigration of the better class of people.

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Bargains! Bargains! Bargains!

Cheap! Cheaper! Cheapest!

Pictures, Picture Frames, Books, Gift Books, Toy Books, Toys, Brackets, Wall-Pockets, Albums, Card Cases, Music Boxes, Accordeons, Flutes Violins, Harps, Music Books, Music Binders, Parlor Croquet, Games, Vases, Toilet Sets, Gold Pens, Pencils, Work Boxes, Writing Desks, and Holiday Goods of every description, all of which will be sold at the very lowest prices. Call and see for yourselves. We won't be undersold by anybody. Remember the place, at J. S. HAND & Co.'s Book and Music Store, next door to Postoffice, Decatur, Ills. Also Agents for the celebrated Lazarus & Morris Spectacles, the Light Running Domestic and St. John Sewing Machines.

Nov. 15—w6w

Don't buy a pair of boots until you see Ferriss' Calf Boots that are tanned with the hair on. L. L. FERRISS,

21w3w Decatur, Ill.

Gents, if you want the Boss winter shoe, get a pair of those high "Two-buckle Hersome Gaiters," at Barber & Baker's.

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COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Adjourned Meeting.

DECATUR, ILL., Dec. 7, 1877.

The council met pursuant to adjournment.

Present—Ald. Bramble, Ehrman, Harpstrite, Harwood, Kuny, Nichols, Swearingen and Wayne. Absent—Ald. Barnett and Muzzy.

Mayor Chambers being absent, Alderman Harpstrite was chosen acting Mayor.

Claim of John Caffrey referred to finance committee.

Claim of J. M. Stookey & Co., on Library account, was approved, and warrant ordered issued

Bond of Henry Holmes, for sale of intoxicating liquors for a term of three months, ending March 10, 1878, was read and approved, and license ordered issued.

The ordinance committee reported an ordinance in relation to petroleum and other dangerous liquids, which was read and rejected; whereupon Ald. Swearingen offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the instruction given by this council to the ordinance committee to prepare an ordinance regulating the storage, &c., of coal oil and other dangerous liquids be reconsidered.

The ordinance committee reported an ordinance in relation to the revised ordinances of the city of Decatur, which was adopted by a unanimous vote of the council.

Alderman Harwood offered the following resolution which was read and referred to the committee on printing with instructions to report cost of same:

Resolved, That 100 copies of the revised ordinances be printed.

On motion the council adjourned.

Attest: GEO. P. HARDY, Register.

A GOOD IDEA —The Danville *Commercial* has the following in regard to one of our clergymen, but does not say how it got its information, but as the paragraph can do the reverend gentleman no harm, and may be the means of dropping a few shekels in his pocket, we print it:

Either to stimulate the matrimonial market, which had grown exceedingly dull, or to increase his own business at the expense of his brethren, Rev. S. MacBurney, of Decatur, has commenced giving chromos to couples who employ him to tie the matrimonial knot.

Young people who are on the eve of matrimony, and would like a nice picture to grace the walls of their new home, will do well to bear in mind the statement of the above paragraph.

A Wretched Existence.

Other conditions being equal, there is no reason why a healthy man or woman should not enjoy life; and it may well be doubted whether adverse fortune has the power entirely to destroy the happiness of one who sleeps soundly and whose digestion is good. But for the nervous, feeble, dyspeptic invalid there is no comfort in life. His existence is indeed a wretched one. But he should not despair of relief. That benignant restorative, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, has imparted healthful vigor to many a self-supposed incurable. It is an unequaled builder-up of broken down physiques, and is besides a sovereign remedy for dyspepsia, nervousness, irregular habit of body, biliousness and kidney and bladder difficulties. It eliminates from the blood the acrid element which gives rise to rheumatic ailments, cheers and relieves the aged and infirm, and may be used with great advantage by ladies in feeble health. Its perfect purity also commends it to the use of invalids. [3-deod&w1w

ASTONISHING SUCCESS.

It is the duty of every person who has used BOSCHEE'S GERMAN SYRUP to let its wonderful qualities be known to their friends in curing Consumption, severe Coughs, Croup, Asthma, Pneumonia, and in fact all throat and lung diseases. No person can use it without immediate relief. Three doses will relieve any case, and we consider it the duty of all druggists to recommend it to the poor dying consumptive, at least to try one bottle, as 40,000 dozen bottles were sold last year, and no one case where it failed was reported. Such a medicine as the GERMAN SYRUP cannot be too widely known. Ask your druggist about it. Sample bottles to try sold at 10 cents. Regular size 75 cts. For sale by A. J. Stoner, B. F. Gue & Son and Theo. Hildebrandt.

Oct. 11—d&w1y

How to Tell Genuine Florida Water.

The true Florida Water always comes with a little pamphlet wrapped around each bottle, and in the paper of this pamphlet are the words, "Lanman & Kemp, New York, water marked, or stamped in pale transparent letters. Hold a leaf up to the light, and if genuine, you will see the above words. Do not buy if the words are not there, because it is not the real article. The water mark letters may be very pale, but by looking closely against the light, you cannot fail to see them. d&w1m.

AT COST.

We will hereafter confine our business exclusively to millinery, and will sell our stock of notions now on hand *at cost*.

dec 6 d&w1m FALCONER & HURD.

The Great Popularity of the "Old Dominion" Buck Gloves and Gauntlets has induced parties, both in Decatur and surrounding towns, to sell inferior gloves under this name None are genuine unless stamped "Geo. Ott" on the inside, and to be had only of

Oct. 2--d&wtf LINN & SCRUGGS.

Gems of the Season.—In Lowell, Hartford, Glen Echo, and other superior makes of Ingrains, and English, French and American Brussels and Velvet Carpets, just received at

Sept. 20—d&wtf LINN & SCRUGGS.

JOS. MICHL,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALER IN

CIGARS, TOBACCO,

PIPES, SNUFF, ETC.,

NO. 12 WATER STREET,

DECATUR, ILLINOIS.

Manufacturer of the

"El Boquet," "Belle of the West," "NILSSON" and "SELECT"

Brands of Cigars.

Having an experience of Thirty Years in the Cigar Business, retailers will find it to their interest to examine my stock before purchasing elsewhere. Jul20'76wtf

DO NOT MORTGAGE YOUR FARM

Until you have called upon us and learned the advantages we can offer you over other parties.

INTEREST AT 9 PER CENT

And on time to suit. Interest and Principal payable at our BANKING HOUSE.

Peddecord & Burrows,

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COAL AND WOOD

COOKING STOVES,

The Best that can be made,

AT REDUCED PRICES.

RANGES,

For Coal and Wood.

ARGALIA — The most beautiful Soft Coal Base Burner and Self-Feeder in the World.

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Twenty other styles and sizes of Heating Stoves for any fuel.

All the above, or any other goods in my very large assortment, are offered at prices that will be an inducement to purchasers to select from the stock of

R. LIDDLE,

1 & 2 Court House Block.

Oct. 11, 1877—dwtf

CATARRH. I had it 21 years; I cured myself in 1850. Book for 10 cents gives full particulars. DR. C. R. SYKES, 169 E. Madison St., Chicago, Ill.

Oct 28 w3mos

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House and Sign Painter.

PAPER HANGING,

Kalsomining, Graining, Glazing, Etc.

SHOP:

Over John Washburn's Grocery Store, South Side New Square, Decatur, Illinois.

Mar1'77-d&w6m

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of WILLIAM F. BECKETT, Deceased.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to all persons having claims and demands against the estate of William F. Beckett, deceased, to present the same for adjudication and settlement at a regular term of the county court of Macon county, to be holden at the court-house, in the city of Decatur, on the third Monday of January, A. D. 1878, being the first day of said term.

Decatur, Ill., November 30, A. D. 1877.

JOHN B. BECKETT, Adm'r.

Dec, 6—w4w

LUMBER

ELWOOD & CO.

Are still in the lead in the Lumber Trade in Decatur, and have on hand a large stock of

Flooring, Siding,

FINISHING LUMBER,

Lath, Sash, Doors

BLINDS, ETC.

Besides a full line of

FRAMING LUMBER,

Fencing, Posts,

And everything usually kept in a first class Lumber Yard. We possess extraordinary facilities, one of the firm devoting his entire time to the manufacture and purchasing of Lumber at Greenville, Michigan, thereby saving the wholesale dealer's profit. Having a first-class

PLANING MILL

We are prepared to manufacture all kinds of

Dressed Lumber

And can fill all orders for builders and carpenters. ELWOOD & CO.

Decatur, Feb3'76-wtf

EQUITABLE TRUST CO.!

MONEY TO LOAN

At 8 Per Cent.

IN SUMS OF $1,000

Or upwards, for Five Years. Commissions, Three per cent. W. C. JOHNS, *Agent*,

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Drafts For Sale on all the Principal Cities, and on England, Ireland, Germany, Etc., Etc.

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Aug13'69-1y

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TANK LINE COMPANY.

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FERRIS & EMMONS,

WHOLESALE DEALERS IN

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Burning Fluids, Coal Oil,

And all kinds of

Engine and Machine

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Dealers purchasing our oil will have the advantage of always getting whole packages. No leaky barrels allowed to leave the warehouse.

Highest Prices Paid for Empty Barrels

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G. W. EMMONS, } Nov11wtf

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Decatur, Illinois, represents the best line of

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Buying, Selling and Renting of Farm and City Property. Those wishing to buy or sell will find it to their interest to give them a call.

Decatur, Illinois, Jun18'77 d&wtf

Dissolution Notice!

THE copartnership heretofore existing between the undersigned under the firm name of Simpson & Lehman, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. The business will hereafter be conducted by P. F. Lehman.

GEO. S. SIMPSON.
P. F. LEHMAN.

Beardsdale, Nov. 16, 1877—w3w*

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LOOK AT THESE PRICES FOR WINTER GOODS:

A Good Coat for	$3.00 to $3.50
The Best Overcoat in Illinois	$4.50 to $5.00
Pantaloons,	$2.00 and upwards
Vests,	$1.00 " "

Other Goods Equally Low.

WE WILL NOT BE UNDERSOLD!

But will Sell GOOD GOODS at lower figures than anybody else. Now is the time to buy, for CLOTHING NEVER WAS SO CHEAP BEFORE.

Our Merchant Tailoring Department

is fully stocked with the Choicest Goods, which will be made up to order, and

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HATS AND CAPS,

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Of the Latest Styles, in great variety, and at very Low Prices.

Men's Caps for 50 cents; Boys' Caps for 40 cents, and upwards.

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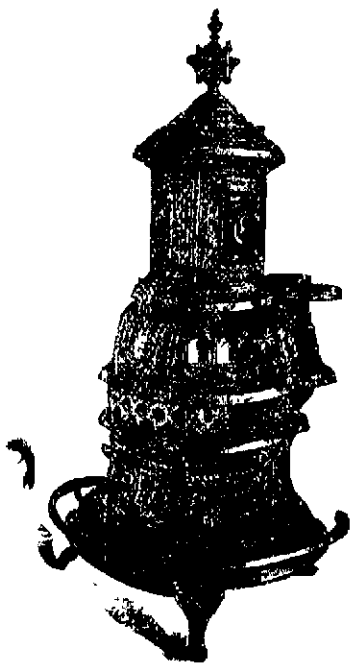

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HAVING THE

LARGEST SALE of any STOVE of its CLASS.

We respectfully ask its careful inspection before purchasing any other stove.

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DECATUR, ILLINOIS.

Sept27'77-wtf

THE "GLOBE" SHOE STORE!

IS ALWAYS UP TO THE TIMES.

SECOND SHOE STORE WEST OF POST OFFICE.

I am now in and ready for inspection one of the Finest and Most Select Stock of

Boots & Shoes!

Ever brought to this city. Don't fail to call and examine Goods before purchasing elsewhere.

HOW IS THIS FOR PRICES:

Men's Patent Kip Boots	$2.00	Women's Calf Pegged	$1.40
" " " "	3.50	" Sewed	2.00
" Lafayette Boots	3.50	" Grain	1.00
" French "	4.25	" Goat Side Lace	1.50
Boys' Boots, from	$1.50 to 2.50	" " Polish	1.15
Youths' " "	1.25 to 2.00	Misses' Shoes, from	$1.00 to 1.25
		Children's Shoes, from	.35 to 1.00

Don't Forget the Place—Second shoe store west of the Post Office.

Nov 1'77 wtf G. M. RIDDLE.

KEYSTONE CARRIAGE WORKS!

WAYNE BROTHERS,

MANUFACTURERS OF

CARRIAGES, BUGGIES, OMNIBUSES

PEDDLING AND SPRING WAGONS.

OLD STAND OF DAN'L CAHMAN,

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Platform Carriages built to order, Pony Phaetons, Prince Alberts, Piano and Coal Box Buggies, Silk and Light Road Wagons of all kinds. Always up to the times, and guarantee all work to be first-class. All kinds of

SLEIGHS MADE TO ORDER!

FANCY PAINTING A SPECIALTY.

Nov 17 '77-d&wtf

INGERSOLL ON INTEMPERANCE.

In a recent letter to an Indiana paper, Col. Robert G. Ingersoll says the only "temperance speech" he ever made was in what was known as the Munn trial in Chicago, when he made these few remarks on alcohol:

"I believe, gentlemen, that alcohol, to a certain extent, demoralizes those who make it, those who sell it, and those who drink it. I believe that from the time it issues from the coiled and poisoned worm of the distillery, until it empties into the hell of crime, dishonor and death, it demoralizes everybody that touches it from its source to its end. I do not believe that anybody can contemplate the subject without becoming prejudiced against that liquid crime. All we have to do, gentlemen, is to think of the wrecks upon either bank of this stream of death—of the suicides, of the insanity, of the poverty, of the ignorance, of the destitution, of the little children tugging at the faded dresses of weeping and despairing wives asking for bread, of the men of genius it has wrecked, of the millions struggling with imaginary serpents produced by this devilish thing; and when you think of the jails, of the alms-houses, of the asylums, of the prisons, and of the scaffolds upon either bank, I do not wonder that every thoughtful man is prejudiced against that damned stuff called alcohol."

THE crisis in France is growing uglier in appearance, the left still persisting in its refusal to allow the budget to be brought in. The budget committee, while refusing to make a report, sent in M. Jules Ferry on yesterday to inform the ministry that they considered the question of parliamentary government involved; that the chamber could not disarm while the president refused to disarm; and, finally, that they would only grant the budget to a parliamentary ministry. M Rouher, on the part of the conservative minority demanded that M. Ferry's statement be accepted as the report of the committee in order that the question might be brought before the chamber, but the proposition was rejected by the very decided vote of 328 to 197. This vote does not indicate that the chamber is likely to recede from its contumacious position very soon. Gambetta seized the opportunity of the discussion to declare, with his usual sententiousness, that the chamber would "only hand over the resources of the country when those in power bowed before the popular will," but there is a possibility, in spite of M Gambetta's assertion, that the resources of the country will nevertheless be forthcoming. The special grievance with that body just at present is the extra-parliamentary ministry which Marshal MacMahon has lately organized, and which the chamber steadily refuses to recognize. But the new constitution specially authorizes the president to go outside of the legislature whenever he chooses in making up his cabinet, and it is apparent, therefore, that in holding itself aloof from such a ministry it is trying to maintain itself in an unconstitutional position. By so doing it gives the marshal president an excellent pretext for dissolving the chamber, and there are signs that he will not wait long in seizing the pretext.—*Chicago Times, Dec. 5.*

THE MORTALITY OF THE BLACK RACE.

A correspondent at Washington writes as follows concerning a subject which is at the present time attracting much attention and which, in view of its consequences, is of considerable importance. He says:

"The annual report of our board of health presents a strong confirmation of the assertion that the colored race is rapidly decreasing for it shows what its predecessors did, that there is no diminution in the death rate of the negro, which is triple as great as that of the whites. Of course this report covers only this district and may not apply elsewhere Yet there is far greater attention paid here to surrounding the colored people with proper hygienic influences than in other cities, we think the views of the board applicable elsewhere. Here, filthy quarters are condemned and vacated, cess-pools are filled up, contaminated wells which carry typhoid fever closed, epidemics stamped out summarily, medicines gratuitously issued to all asking for them, and in every manner our board exercises its plenary power to improve the condition of our poor. Why then should the death rate of the colored people be so great? Out of 117 still births 107 were colored. The same proportion holds good in the cases of infanticide reported, and without regard to age or sex or condition there seems a fearful disproportion of death against them.—During the war, as shown by the surgeon general's report, the colored soldier suffered a percentage of sickness and death just double that of the white, and that too in the Mississippi valley, as well as in the higher latitudes, and we can consistently ask, "Has not the white in this country, under all circumstances, the greater vitality for resisting disease? Is the black race doomed to extinction?"

A lady correspondent says that girls should cease to be kissed by their gentleman friends when they put on long dresses. We never kissed anybody in our life, but we'd just like to know what difference the length of the dress makes.

TELEGRAPHIC.

CHICAGO, Dec. 5.—The *Inter-Ocean* will contain the following in the morning: The German National (Henry Greenbaum's) Bank has decided to put its house, that is, its counting room in order and get out of business. This step is one that will not astonish the directors and stockholders at least, and it is not likely financial circles will be greatly surprised at the announcement. The general opinion entertained and expressed until a week or two ago, was that the German National Bank would pull through after its trying experiences of the panicky weeks, but for once the prevailing impression was incorrect, in a measure, at least. The drain on the resources of this institution has not only been great, but continuous since the financial uneasiness of last August. The bank dies not because it was in a moribund condition, but really from mere exhaustion. Perhaps there are not half a dozen other banking houses in the city that could submit as fine an exhibit as that which the directors of the German National publish in these columns this morning. Another point to be referred to here, in justice to the president of this institution, is that no matter what the individual opinions of Mr. Greenebaum may be, no one will deny that he had "sand." The closing of the bank is at this time not an event which should occasion any undue uneasiness and unrest among depositors.—The stockholders, through the directors, assure the public that theirs will be the loss if any one comes out second best It will not in any way interfere with or have any direct bearing upon the German Savings Bank, of which Mr. Greenebaum is also president. The one is entirely separate from the other, and depositors need not expect to see a red flag hanging out in front of each institution. Last evening the directors of the national bank held a meeting, when the entire matter of the condition of the concern was freely and fully discussed, and action was taken, the result of which is given in the following circular, which will be made public in the morning:

THE NOTICE.

The directors of the German National Bank respectfully submit to the depositors of the institution that in the ordinary course of business the bank had in deposits July 1, 1877, $1,157,000 Since that time our customers from one cause or another, have reduced the sum to $183,000, which is the total liability to depositors at the present time. We consider this good work, but can not, without some forbearance, continue it. The bank has abundant assets to pay every dollar to depositors and have a handsome surplus, but the managers require a little time to convert the effects into money. We therefore request all depositors to forbear their drafts until we shall be able to meet them, which will be in a very short time. This course will enable us to pay in the most rapid manner, and avoid the unnecessary expense and delay of a receiver. We utter this assurance in good faith, and know that it can and will be kept.—Signed Henry Greenebaum, August Beck, L. Eliel, Henry Leopold, S. F. Leopold, A. M. Day, directors; Herman Schaffner, cashier.

The German National Bank was organized in 1872, with stock amounting to $500,000. Since that time it has been doing quite a large and lucrative business. The present amount of deposits in the German Savings is $350,000, a small amount, compared with what the books show previous to the July troubles. Your correspondent has information from a prominent stockholder to this effect that, if the drain continues on the Savings Institution, its directors will probably put it into liquidation. The bank is making no money whatever, and it is only a waste of time to keep it above ground.

DAYTON, O., Dec. 7.—This morning F. W. Webb was arrested at the Beckel House, in this city, charged with implication in a recent forgery committed in that city to the amount of over $14,000. Purdy was accompanied by Mr. George Sprigg, member of the firm of Bond & Allerdice, Water street, Toledo, extensive dealers in hides, on which the forgery was committed, having offices in Toledo; Peoria, Ill., and Indianapolis. Webb had been in this city several days, stopping at the hotel under the name of Geo. E. Wise. He had been followed to Newark, O., under the name of Frank Falconer, by the officer and Sprigg. He escaped them there and came to Dayton. Purdy telegraphed the police here and took the next train to the city as soon as Webb's destination had been ascertained. He met Webb at the entrance of the hotel just after breakfast. The forger showed resistance, but was covered by a pistol, and submitted. He is said to only one of the party connected with the forgery, and if he gives the testimony wanted, he will not be prosecuted. The party left with the prisoner on the 10 a. m. train for Toledo. Webb was an agent of the firm and general superintendent.

Latest information states that the amount of money obtained was not less than $20,000, but the loss of the firm by the capture of Webb will not be more than $4,000, the remainder falling on a bank in Chicago. The money taken was all in currency, and has been obtained within the last two months.

At Last the ladies have found out that the best and neatest cloak for less money than any other place, is to be found at GOLDBERG'S.

A LETTER FROM IOWA.

GRINNELL, IA., Dec. 6th, 1877.

EDS. REPUBLICAN:—After crossing Iowa twice and spending a few days in Nebraska, I will say to you, that I find business generally mixed. Through western and northern Iowa crops of all kinds are good but prices low; corn 15 to 18 cents. Southeast Iowa had three years rain, consequently no crops, plenty of mud and no money to pay old debts, or to buy goods for present or future use. Nebraska has a fine crop but brings but little money.

At Hastings farmers bring in a load of corn and dumps it around town to parties having a pig or cow to feed, three bushels for 25 cents. Now what would our Macon county farmers think of that? But that is not all—they never grumble at fickle fortune. They are fortunate enough to have a fine crop of wheat, for which they get 80 cents, and grain buyers are buying in that place from 50 to 150 loads per day. Omaha is the best town I found on my trip; everything cheap but hotel bills and rent; any kind of decent house will rent for $1,000 a year. One can be at the Union Pacific depot almost any day and see come in a car of buffalo, deer and elk quarters; it is as cheap as beef, and dealers say it is better this fall than for many years. I bought a few choice cuts and sent to my folks and Frank Hays.

I find but few people west that like "my policy," particularly the last one, on the "silver policy," as the papers call it.

I was at a huge wedding in Omaha thanksgiving day, one of the famous Hyer sisters was married there; had a fine dinner at the Grand Central at which Africa attacked Turkey. The bridegroom said to me that morning, "'pon my soul I neber kissed dat gal til dis mornin', she hab been wid us for years an I neber kissed her afore; dats so!"

Will leave here to-morrow for Cedar Rapids for Sunday, thence to Freeport, Illinois and Madison, Wisconsin.

Ask Frank Hayes to tell you about old Judkins. Respectfully,

FRANK PAYNE.

PENCIL POINTS.

State Journal.

McAllister, whose Chicago court has been the snug harbor of murderers, now appears as the champion of tramps.—He declares the "tramp nuisance" law of the last Legislature to be unconstitutional and atrocious. The judicial ermine in this instance but illy conceals the Communist.

Chicago Journal.

Buying one's pardon out of the Penitentiary by voting for a Democrat, is a new trick in politics. That is the way they do it in South Carolina, "with the advice and consent" of the Democratic Senators in the national Congress.

Indianapolis Journal.

In the last London letter of Mr. Louis J. Jennings of the New York World, he says, "the fact is that the cry for protection is daily growing stronger in this country." It would seem to be a most excellent time for America to discard the doctrine of protection, when the greatest free-trade nation, whose experience has been thrown into the face of the world for so many years, is about to climb the American platform. The fact stated by Mr. Jennings should be called to the attention of the Committee on Ways and Means.

Dubuque Times.

In any event Patterson will be cheated, for no party traitor ever yet reaped other than a harvest of woe for his treachery.

Burlington Hawkeye.

What a consistent son of a sea cook Stanley Matthews is. He went to Louisiana and did all he could to disorganize the legally elected legislature of that state and now votes to admit Kellogg, who was elected by the legislature which he aided in disbanding.

Springfield Register.

How Time flies! It was but yesterday since we were in the midst of war, with all the best blood of the country going to the front, and yet a correspondent writing from New York on the 4th says the regular quarterly payment of pensions began on that day, but the number of pensioners is decreasing, as many are dying each year, and the fact that children over sixteen years of age lose their pensions is decreasing the number rapidly, and this class of pensions will, of course, all expire in about three years.

GALESBURG, ILL., Dec. 5.—The name of Charles C. Scott, as given by Rande on Monday last, is ascertained to be his true one. One of his counsel, who has just returned from Fairfield, found his parents of good social position and worthy people. They state that for six years they had lost all knowledge of their son Charles, yet they recognize him by his picture taken last week. He was thought to be entirely abandoned by the good people of Fairfield, six years ago, and the people of Knox county have little better opinion of him. This evidence, as now in the hands of State's Attorney Tunnicliff, is perfect, and his conviction and punishment under it assured.

A very pretty Sunday school song is the one entitled "Put your armour on, my boys." There is, however, a young lady in town who doesn't like to hear it. She says it sounds like "Put your arm around me, boys," and it always makes her feel lonesome.

MR. LINCOLN AND CIVIL SERVICE

Gath's Interview with John G. Nicolay, Ex-Secretary of President Lincoln.

"Did Mr. Lincoln, as President, have any experience with civil service reform, or civil service reformers?"

"No. It was not even broached at that time."

"Then nobody ran into the White House in a wild state of excitement and wanted the civil service taken out of politics?"

"Nobody alluded to the subject at all. It never came up."

"Do you remember to have heard or read any expression from Mr. Lincoln favoring civil service reform?"

"No. Nothing of that kind crosses my mind. I don't think he was that type of mind."

"Did you ever hear him say that the subject of making political appointments and doings was a matter of vexation to him?"

"Yes. I think I heard him express regret that the American people had such a universal passion to hold office. But Lincoln was a politician organically. He had been in the primaries and small nominating conventions. He wrote letters to Herndon and others at Springfield while he was in Congress, telling them to keep their ward and local organizations vigorous. He was for neglecting nothing that would make a party prompt and powerful in discipline."

"Is a durable civil service reform probable or possible in this country, such as the reviews and special organs clamor for?"

"No; and you will see why in a minute. The presidency itself is in a perpetual revolution, equivalent to a new dynasty under a monarchy. There are many Americans who are engaged in the labor of trying to secure, under one system, all the benefits of democracy and monarchy. "Why can we not have this and that?" they cry, pointing to some other country. The gauge and groove of the two systems, from the base up, are so different that they are not interchangeable. A fixed civil service is a part of a fixed government; a temporary civil service is inevitable in an elective government, which has its whole genius in periodical, peaceful revolution."

"I suppose you are not in favor of a permanent Chief Magistrate?"

"Not at all. I am in favor of elections and their logical consequences, as we have been having them. The evils of patronage are not as great as we would find the evils of bureaucracy and stagnation."

I asked Mr Nicolay, also, about the formation of Lincoln's original Cabinet, and how Lincoln came to change it. As I write this from recollection I can only use his language approximately:

"He selected his cabinet," said Nicolay, "in loyal obligation to the party which elected him, so as to recognize the services of each element of the party and of the geography of the victory achieved as well. The battle states were Indiana, Ohio and Pennsylvania. Caleb Smith, Chase and Cameron therefore, went into the cabinet. But there were four quarters of the republican party in the matter of its formation; the Know-nothings, the Whigs, the Free-soil Democrats, and the Union or war Democrats. Of the last, Gideon Welles was representative. Bates, I suppose, of the know-nothings, Seward of the Whigs, and Blair, of the free soil democrats. From the outset Seward and Chase were rivals. Lincoln discharged his party duty with conscientiousness, and then with this heterogeneous cabinet proceeded to his public duty. He worked off, without a quarrel or scandal, Chase, Smith, Cameron and Blair. Bates got tired. At least two of the cabinet were appointed for considerations of old acquaintance, too—Speed and Smith." Mr. Nicolay added: "If we omit to do justice to the political, the partisan sagacity of Mr. Lincoln, we rob him of his greatest talent. He did not run hither and thither in search of expedients or to alter traditional forms of doing things. He got the best out of the system just as it was. And that is the reform to be attained under the republic; not alteration, but efficiency. Give democratic institutions as they are their noblest operations."

ORCHARDING IN NEW YORK.

The New York *World* gives the following item in relation to the orchards of Mr. C. S. Davis, of Orleans county, who has ninety acres in orchard, containing 2,500 apple trees, 500 of which were set in 1858 and the remainder in 1862 and 1868. The young orchards cover fifty-five acres, and are chiefly composed of the Baldwin, Rhode Island Greening and Roxbury russet, with some autumn apples. He has besides these 2,700 trees or bushes of the orange quince, covering ten acres and planted six and ten years ago. The crops from these quinces the last two seasons were fifty and fifty-three barrels. Besides these there are 2,000 peach trees, 350 planted in 1858, the rest in 1865 and 1868. The first 350 have yielded since planted over $4,000. There are also 2,000 standard pear trees, 1,000 of which are Bartlets. From the first planted (100 in 1864) 100 barrels have been picked.

Dermal cures chapped hands and lips, and all chafing, redness, roughness or soreness of the skin at once. It is delightfully perfumed, pleasant to use, and costs but 25 cents per bottle. All druggists keep it. Dec. 6—wtf

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The Weekly Republican.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1877.

SOME base fellow yesterday perpetrated a mean trick at Springfield, by sending four or five gallons of whisky to Messrs. Rowell and Hoofstitler, the temperance speakers. The stuff was boxed up and labeled "tracts."

MRS. MARY WHITESIDE EMERY is to become the editor of the Peoria *Weekly Transcript*. Her husband, Enoch Emery, is said to be engaged on a novel, which will soon appear.

THE late treasurer of Sangamon county, John M. Nuckolls, is short in his accounts, and when he came to pay over the balance in his hands yesterday, to his successor, the shortage became apparent. The amount of the deficiency is not stated.

It is said that George Francis Train's late eating is merely a habit, which he has a good thing to abandon. Unfortunately in the case of George, it is a habit which might be abandoned with profit to his friends and the public, were the consequences might be to himself.

All accounts indicate that Senator Bayard is in a precarious condition of health. He is represented as looking like a confirmed invalid, and his conversation as well as his appearance is that of a broken, disappointed man. He sees few people and seems to have lost all his old vigor and vivacity.

THE occultation of Venus by the moon between six and seven o'clock on Sunday evening last, was a beautiful sight in the estimation of all who were so fortunate as to witness it. The heavens were perfectly clear, and the conditions in every respect most favorable for observing so interesting an event.

THE surrender of Plevna, which is announced to-day, will in all probability be the signal for the close of the war between Russia and Turkey. The indications for some weeks have pointed to the ultimate triumph of Russia, unless affairs became complicated by the intervention of the other great powers, and the fall of the Turkish stronghold will only serve to hasten what has been inevitable for some time.

At last the democrats of New Orleans are really alarmed. In the language of the *Democrat* of that city, "a puritanical wave has recently passed over Louisiana. A half a dozen towns in the state have been carried by the prohibitionists, and a dozen parishes have ranged themselves under the Sunday law banner, and absolutely threaten." The *Democrat* says, "New Orleans with mirth and 'Christian Sunday.' This is too much for the bulldozers. The news of introducing the Yankee principle of temperance in Louisiana has produced great excitement.

THE New York *Herald* thinks that the president made a great blunder in postponing the extra session until November, instead of calling it in June.—It thinks that the opposition in the republican ranks to the president's policy in June would not have been as determined as it is now, and that had the session been called then, the necessary appropriation bills would have been passed and congress would have adjourned without any political maneuvering whatever. One reason for the *Herald's* opinion is that the Ohio and Pennsylvania elections had not then been held and the result of which has been disastrous to the president's policy."

A wealthy ship-owner of San Francisco recently took a Chinese woman visiting his family to the dinner table of a prominent hotel, his wife and daughters accompanying them. The head waiter refused to seat the party as long as the almond-eyed lady was one of the expectant guests. The manager of the house then gave them seats, when the ordinary waiters refused to serve them, declaring that they would lose their places rather than do it. So the gentleman, by the urgent request of the Chinese woman, escorted her from the room, the family going with her. The head waiter was an Irishman and his subordinates negroes.

THE South Carolina Legislature is rapidly gravitating into proper shape. They are weeding out the remnants of Republicanism, in order that the harmony so necessary to the peace of mind of Southern Democrats may not be disturbed. It seems that this feature of the programme was provided for in advance, the successors to those who have just resigned being elected some time since, and so were all ready.—*Pittsburg Commercial-Gazette (Rep.)*

A beautiful line of ladies' silk neckties, ruches and collars, at S. Einstein's.

A well-informed exchange remarks that the recuperative energy of the French nation has furnished the text for a great many essays and editorials in this country. The industry, economy and general productive capacity of French mechanics, and workingmen generally, and credited with furnishing the means of recuperation to the nation, and the industrial classes of this country are frequently pointed to the French mechanic as an example of thrift and competency. There are several things that have contributed to the industrial success of French manufacturers and mechanics which cannot be transplanted to this country at the present time.—Some of these are not shown in the following account of "how the French workman lives," which we take from an exchange:

The French laborer probably gets more for his wages than any other.—His food is cheaper and more nourishing. His bouillon is the liquid essence of beef at a penny per bowl. His bread at the restaurant is thrown in without any charge, and is the best bread in the world. His hot coffee and milk is peddled about the streets in the morning at a sou per cup. His half bottle of claret is thrown in at a meal costing twelve cents. For a few cents he may enjoy an evening's amusement at one of the many minor theaters, with his coffee free. Sixpence pays for a nicely cushioned seat at the theatre. No gallery-gods, no peanuts, pipe smoke, drunkenness, yelling or howling. The Jardin des Plantes, the vast galleries and museums of the Louvre, Hotel Cluny, Palace of the Luxembourg, and Versailles are free for him to enter. Art and science hold out to him their choicest treasures at small cost, or no cost at all. French economy and frugality do not mean that constant retrenchment and self-denial which would deprive life of everything which makes it worth living for. Economy in France, more than in any other country, means a utilization of what America throws away, but it does not mean a pinching process of reducing life to a barren existence of work and bread and water.

THE young lady referred to in the following paragraph, which is going the rounds of the press, is none other than *our* prima donna, Miss Marie Von Elsner, whose mother lived in Decatur when the young lady started to Europe, and we recall with pride the fact that one among the last calls she made before her departure was at the REPUBLICAN office, where she received our parting benediction and best wishes:

Kate Field writes from Paris to the Cleveland *Leader* an interesting account first of the failure then of the success of an American singer whose real name is Marie Von Elsner, and who received her early musical education in Cleveland. After several years' instruction in Paris she came to London to make her debut at Drury Lane with Nilsson in "The Huguenots," but under very unfavorable circumstances. She had a noble voice and fine cultivation, but had never been on a public stage, had no idea of dressing her part, and, worst of all, was almost paralyzed with fear. She was kindly treated but after one or two appearances was pronounced a failure and her services dispensed with. By Miss Field's earnest advice she went back to Paris, where, after some time, she attracted the attention of Madame LaGrange. This accomplished artist at once took a deep interest in the American girl and commenced giving her lessons in acting and costuming, as well as in the further perfection of her voice culture. Finally she obtained for her an engagement as Lucia in "Lucia di Lammermoor," superintended her rehearsals, her dressing and all the details of her debut, and now all paris is in a furor about the new American prima donna, who, under the stage name of Litta, has taken the musical public of that city by storm.

REPRESENTATIVE SHELLEY, of Alabama, evidently contemplates removing to California and running for Congress, the United States Senate, Governor or something of that sort there. His bill requiring Chinese immigrants to pay a tax of $250,000 on their arrival in the United States, under pain of five years imprisonment for refusing to do so, is a very loud call for the support of the anti-Mongolian "hoodlums" of San Francisco and their sympathizers elsewhere. In order to be consistent, Mr. Shelley should also insist that the Chinese adopt a similar regulation as to citizens of the United States arriving in China—though, possibly, he may think the Mongolians have the better of us in civilization and so would not be guilty of such barbarism. Mr. Shelley evidently belongs to a class who deplore the abolition of African slavery, but having no power to restore that institution, is desirous of doing the next best thing, to-wit: come as near as possible to enslaving the Chinese who may reach our shores of their own choice, or be cast there by ship-wreck or other disaster.

PERSONAL allusion in the Black Hills *Champion*: "One of the most versatile ladies that ever graced the Deadwood stage" has packed her kit, "lit out from the land of the howling wilderness," and is en route for Chicago, where she will "chaw" scenery and "whoop it up" on "old Terpsichore."

PRESS POINTS.

Louisville Courier Journal.

"The Republican party must bow itself to those it once subjugated on the field of battle," says the New York Commercial Advertiser. Yes, that was what was the matter with Joseph's brethren. They thought they had effectually squelched him in the old well, but Joseph "got the bulge" on them in Egypt.

New York Mail.

Governor Hendricks is in the lecture field, and Tilden will have to do something to head him off. Imagine Samuel J. eating the cold buckwheat cakes of a New England orthodox chairman of a lecture committee.

Indianapolis Journal.

The St. Louis *Republican* thinks "it will take at least a generation to fully recover from seventeen years of Republican domination.' The country has already been that long trying to recover from the Democratic domination which left it with an empty treasury and a full-grown rebellion on hand, and is a good ways from being fully recovered yet.

Cincinnati Gazette.

Mr. Conkling's ultimatum is the reorganization of the cabinet. All attempts at reconciliation will avail nothing while Mordecai the Jew, in the person of Mr. Evarts, sits at the king's gate.

Washington special to Inter Ocean, Dec. 7.

The monster petition in Packard's behalf has not been handed to the President it having been intimated by him that if he concluded to appoint Packard he would rather appoint him voluntarily and without the interference of Congressmen, who, under his theory, have no right to meddle with the privilege and prerogative of the Executive. In fact, this intimation has been conveyed with unmistakable force directly from the President himself, and through his Cabinet officers also.

Inter Ocean.

Of the 270,000 voters in Kentucky, 90,000 cannot read, and over 40,000 of the men who cannot read are whites. Well may the Louisville *Courier-Journal* remark, "The great need of the Commonwealth is a good common school system."

WILLIAM PITT KELLOGG.

Gath has been writing up William Pitt Kellogg, from data furnished by Kellogg himself. Kellogg was appointed chief justice of Nebraska by President Lincoln, and in this connection tells Gath the following:

"Now, I want to call your attention," said Mr. Kellogg, to a remarkable association of careers. My quarters in Omaha were at the Herndon House, and the following persons boarded there: Avis Sanders, then governor, now U. S. senator from Nebraska; Algernon S. Paddock, secretary of Nebraska, now U. S. senator, Hitchcock, territorial marshal, afterward U. S. senator; Geo. H Spencer, private secretary to Gov. Sanders, now U. S. senator; Gen. Thayer, U. S. marshal, afterward U. S. senator and Major Merrill, recruiting officer, afterward the celebrated rider-down and annihilator of the Ku-Klux. The regiment of which Thayer was then colonel was then recruited, and there were two candidates for chaplain, Tipton and Haskell. Merrill put up the joke to make them preach for the place. At a champagne supper, given by Spencer afterward, where we were all present, it was voted that Tipton could preach down Haskell, so he was made chaplin and became United States Senator.

When I was sworn in as senator, July 17, 1868, Tipton and Thayer were already there. Spencer came soon afterward, and Hitchcock soon succeeded Thayer. Now I have just re-entered the senate for the second time, and there I find Spencer, Sanders and Paddock. No territory in the Union has probably called into one mess or coterie so many United States senators. Four of them were there in 1868 and four in 1877."

"LOOK TO YOUR TITLES."

Under this head the Farmington (Ill.) *News* tells the story of a man in that county who some two years ago purchased a farm in Lee township and received for it what he supposed to be a clear title. Lately he was surprised to find that the land had been sold three years before on a judgment in the United States courts against his vendor. It appears that in 1873, Snyder (the vendor), was a bondsman for one Lilly a defaulter, and he was sued on his bond: judgment was obtained in the United States circuit court, an execution was issued, and this land was levied upon and advertised to be sold: that at the time of sale there being no bidders it was knocked off to the government for the amount of the claim. Now Snyder has sold the land and gone away, and the purchaser will be obliged to pay the judgment and take the chance of ever getting the money back. Moral: Never be sure that you have got a clear title until you have examined the records of every possible court in which there can be a judgment which may be a lien on the land.

Having used Dr. Marshall's Lung Syrup in my practice for some time, I am prepared to say that it is a superior remedy for all cases of coughs, colds and diseases of the lungs and chest.

DR. F. WALTMAN, Springfield, Mich.

Sold by all druggists.

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LETTER FROM CHICAGO.

PROFESSOR SWING

is as quiet, unassuming man as can be found in the pulpit. He is tall, well-proportioned and his hair is becoming considerably mixed with gray. In his face there is an expression of benevolence, and a look of solidity is discernible as though he would preach what he believed to be true though all the presbyteries and synods should combine against him. There is but little mirthfulness displayed in the lineaments of his face, yet he does not assume on his entrance to the pulpit a sombre, solemn aspect as if he were speaking from the regions of the tomb. He appears cold at first and to some has a sort of Greenland iciness about him, but as his sermon advances genial rays disperse all that and the whole audience and speaker seem wrapped in the closest sympathy. I said he was not an orator, nor is he, but there is an indescribable something about him that draws from every auditor the closest attention. He has no sleepers in his congregation. The subject matter of his sermons need no comment. His sermons are read and admired throughout all the land. When he has finished a sermon and you have read or heard it, you feel as though he could have said nothing else. His mind is comprehensive and logical and he spends but little time with technicalities. The ipsedixits of church councils that smell of age and the dark ages pass through his mind as water through a sieve. He deals with the realities of to-day. He spends no time in determining whether the Red sea was crossed at one point or another, but puts his shoulder to the car of modern civilization and helps move it onward. Swing believes the onward flow of Christianity to be like a mighty river, and is not to be changed in course or stopped by dams of human erection. It is like a stone cut out of the mountain moving onward and accumulating in size notwithstanding the bulls of Ingersoll or the Pope.

The Hon. E. B. Washburne lectures on Friday evening, at the Tabernacle, on the Siege of Paris and the Commune. No doubt it will be one of the most entertaining lectures of the season. Many people hereabouts are so uncharitable as to aver that the honorable gentleman lectures more in the interest of his senatorial prospects than for the shekels it may bring, or the information it may contain.

Wendell Phillips, the "silver-tongued orator," was here on Monday evening of this week and informed the people, at the rate of 50 and 75 cents per head, upon financial topics. The lecture was Phillipsonian in toto, both in style and subject matter. His views are different from those entertained by any one else. Otherwise they would not be the views of Phillips. He is thoroughly original in all he says and does.

MORE ANON

SENATOR EDMUNDS' BOW.

Washington Cor. Pittsburg Dispatch

Senator Edmunds often makes threats of bowing with an air of much deference as when replying sarcastically to Judge Davis's personal explanation this morning, but he does not bend below the neck. His head moves forward, and is drawn downward by some mysterious inner power but he cannot bow. His spinal column is rigid. The top of his head is quite bare, but there is a hedge of gray hair around the sides, and a visor of thick, short, gray beard around his face and crowning his upper lip, as if to chain the upper and lower jaws together. He looks like a man who would sacrifice all his friends rather than abate one jot of his faith or principle.

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining in the Post-office, at Decatur, Macon co., Illinois, Dec. 5 1877.

Austin Mrs Emma	McKinye
Borchert Henry	McCormick Ellen
Beadles W F	Nichols J B
Cartwright A B	Roat Edwin C
Chamberlain A B (2)	Raymon M F
Cross Miss Hattie	Scott Lina
Crampton R W	Smith Ashley M
Compton William P	Sweasy Mrs Ellen
Conterline Wm	Sulucie Mrs David
Eve M	Stanley Merritt
Foren Mrs Elizabeth	Toba Mr
Gregory A	Tracy & Miller
Glass Miss Mattie	Turner Sarah
Gordon Miss E T	Warnholt Henry
Johnson Joseph	White Mrs Minerva
Kinney H E	Welsh Robert
Leve E S	Watts Miss Sarah
Myers Fannie	Wone, Derry & Co.
Morey G T	Wood Mrs Kate
Mahoney Lizzie	Woodburn S P
Martin Thomas	Young W A

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R. P. LYTLE, Postmaster

MARKET REPORT.

DECATUR, ILL., Dec. 13, 1877.

GRAIN MARKET.

FLOUR—White Wheat selling per hundred lbs	$3.25
FLOUR—Red wheat selling per hundred lbs	3.00
CORN MEAL—White selling	.70
" " —Yellow "	.60
SHORTS—Per hundred, selling	1.00
CORN—Old shelled	.35@.40
CORN—New	.30@.35
WHEAT—Selling	1.00@1.10

FARM PRODUCE.

POTATOES—Early Rose	.40
" —Peachblow	.45@.50
BUTTER—Per lb	.18@.20
EGGS—Per dozen	.17@.20
LARD—Selling	12½
SIDE-BACON—Selling	.10
HAMS—Selling	12½
CHICKENS—Per dozen	1.75@2.25
TURKEYS—Dressed	.8@.10
CABBAGE—Per dozen	.30@.50
CRANBERRIES—Selling	.15
NEW ONIONS—Per bushel	.50@.65
APPLES—Per bushel	.50@.80
TIMOTHY HAY—Per ton	7.00
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So when you buy your Christmas Gifts
I'll tell you *one thing sure:*
You cannot buy them *near so cheap*,
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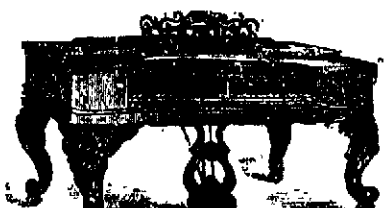

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December 13, 1877-2w **LEWIS SANDAGE.**

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Teach, teach, teach,
On every day in the week,
And thrash, thrash, thrash,
From your head down to your feet.
Reading and spelling and writing,
Grammar and gee-ography,
Till a poor boy's brains
Are full of pains,
And he's tired as tired can be,

Write, write, write,
The moment your out of line,
And write, write, write,
Until it is half-past nine;
Scratch and scribble and scrawl,
And blot and blur and smear
Till the teacher comes
And warms your thumbs,
And makes you feel ever so queer.

It is, oh! for a beautiful place,
Where never a school house is,
And it's oh! for a happy land
Where never a teacher lives;
Where tops, marbles and kites grow wild
And a fellow can holler and shout,
And there's never a book,
But a cozy nook
For to fish and to swim about

And it's oh! for a happy time
When I get to be a man,
And I can whistle and jump,
And beat on an old tin pan,
When I can put crooked pins
Down on the next boy's seat,
And I can put ink on his face,
With never a fear to be beat;
Jump and whistle and prance,
And holler and yell and shout,
And never a one
To spoil the fun,
Nor to keep me from going out

THE FOOLS NOT ALL DEAD.

Congressman Wright, of Pennsylvania, has got a novel crochet in his head. He is causing signatures to be obtained for presentation to congress, asking that the government encourage emigration to the west by giving each emigrant a farm, and then loaning him $500 to improve it with, taking a mortgage on the farm for security. It is said that over 8,000 persons have signed a petition to this effect. No doubt of it.—Nothing could be better for the proposed emigrant, except that the amount loaned be $5,000 instead of $500. But how about the government? Perhaps Mr. Congressmen Wright thinks the government of little consequence. Perhaps he has in his eye the case of the boy who got his father to assist him in training his dog. The old man rolled over in the dirt with the animal, and finally the latter got his antagonist well by the nose. "Take him off," was the command. "Oh, no," was the cool response. "Stick to it, dad. It may be hard on you, but it will be the making of the pup."

As a practical measure so far as the government is concerned, we have heard nothing like it since the Minnesota man who sold his land for a certain number of railroad ties, which he took off the property himself, leaving the purchaser the land clear. We think, however, the Pennsylvania man's scheme a little ahead of the Minnesota one.—*Peoria Transcript.*

PEOPLE AND THINGS.

Beecher and Talmage met on the cars and examined each other in arithmetic. Beecher broke down at nine times six, and Talmage at twelve times seven.

Gavazzi who is engaged in the attempt to Protestantize Italy is described by an Italian reporter as being "brave, indefatigable, and zealous as Luther himself."

Senator Sharon who undertook the management of the estate of President Ralston, of the Bank of California, saved $50,000 from the wreck for Mrs. Ralston.

The Baltimore *News* says that it requires considerable stratagem to find a diamond. Yes, but did you ever try to dig a woodchuck out of a side hill?—*Detroit Free Press.*

D. R. Locke (Petroleum V. Nasby), formerly of the Toledo *Blade*, has become the publisher of the New York *Evening Mail*. Major J. M. Bundy, it is said, will still control the editorial department of the paper.

By order of the Emperor William himself, Patti is not to appear in Berlin. He has declared that the price charged per night by the late Marquise de Caux is something monstrous, and that he will not allow such absurd prodigality.

Mr. Artemus Hale, of Bridgewater, Mass., is the oldest living ex-member of Congress. His 91 years sit so easily upon him that he attends personally to business affairs which most persons at that advanced age would delegate to younger men.

The Washington correspondent of a New York paper, writing of the musical entertainment at the White House, says. "On the occasion of such assemblages at the White House the dressing is such as would be worn when calling informally on any friend. Most of the ladies wear their hats. As soon as each person arrives, he or she is shown into a side room near the entrance door, while cards are carried in to Mrs. Hayes. No ceremony except sending in a card is observed, and this is done to assist Mrs. Hayes in remembering names, or to answer, with those unknown to her, instead of an introduction. The owners of the cards are admitted without delay.

IT is the woman who paints who finds the greatest difficulty in keeping her countenance.

FAITH is sometimes personified as a drenched female clinging to a sea-washed rock; but a better personification would be a bald-headed man buying a bottle of patent hair-restorer.—*Worcester Press.*

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VICE PRESIDENT WHEELER.

Washington Cor. Albany Evening Journal.

At the close of the day's session Vice-President Wheeler stood thoughtfully in his chamber, where Henry Wilson died, and to one who went in to speak to him he said: "My vote to-day will be criticised, but it will be approved by the people, whose respect I covet. I am a Republican, and no one ever knew me to fail in my allegiance to my party. By making me Vice-President my party has shelved me for four years, but if accident ever throws it into my power to cast a vote in its interest I will not hesitate, but will only be sorry that I cannot do more." There is more pith and marrow in one such speech as that, than in a thousand namby-pamby, "He serves his party best who serves his country best." It puzzles a sensible person to discover where the President can justly expect to find approval for his "betwixt-and-between" policy; certainly not among the Democrats, for with them party feeling is a cardinal virtue. His name will be cherished by these fierce Democratic partisans only a grade higher than the names of Patterson and Conover, who "left their party for their party's good."

THE ITALIAN SCHOOL MA'AM

On these frosty morning, when the school-mistress in New Hampshire or Michigan has a long walk in the wind, and finds the country school-house as cold as an empty barn, she draws her thin shawl about her and wishes that she could teach school in sunny Italy. For the benefit of such frozen-out souls, let the adventures of Elvira Viola, an Italian school-teacher, whose face is as pretty as her name, be here recorded. She had passed her vacation at Reggio Emilia, and was returning on November 9 to Rieti by railway, accompanied by an elderly servant girl. The train stopped at Falconara at 9:30 p. m., and there was a delay of an hour and a half. Miss Elvira was very hungry, and leaving her baggage with her traveling companion, repaired to an eating-house, near the station. Scarcely was she seated at the table, before a police officer gruffly asked her who she was. She could only give her name and protest that she was a school-teacher returning from her vacation; but this was not enough for the burly brute. He arrested her, as well as the servant, who had charge of the baggage, and kept them close prisoners until morning, the only furniture in the room being a filthy straw bed. The magistrate telegraphed to Rieti, and obtaining satisfactory replies, allowed Miss Elvira to continue her journey.

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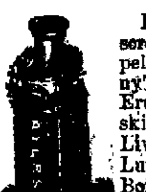

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Decatur, Ill., November 30, A. D. 1877.
JOHN B. BECKETT, Adm'r.
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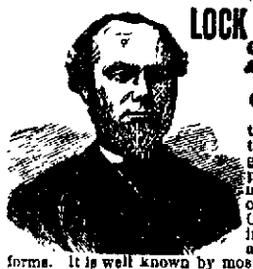

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PUTTING A BULL TO THE TEST.

They had a discussion over at Miller's the other day about bulls. Mr. Miller said it was all nonsense to talk about a bull being excited and made furious by a red rag. He said he had an ugly tempered Devon bull over in the next field who would take it like a lamb if you should shake the flags of all nations in his face. Dr. Robinson said that Miller daren't try it, and then Miller bet Robinson that he would. So Miller went into the house and loaded himself up with a red flannel undershirt, and we all walked out to the field. The bull was there looking as calm as a summer morning. Miller climbed the fence, and went toward the animal, keeping the shirt behind him. As he came close to the bull he suddenly produced the shirt and flirted it in the bull's face. The beast jumped back a yard or two in astonishment, and kept his eyes on Miller, while Miller waved the old vermillion garment vigorously. Then the bull shook his head several times as if he declined to have anything to do with the business; and Miller turned toward us and put his thumb to his nose and wagged his fingers. While he was making this signal of victory, an idea seemed to strike the bull. He put his head down and moved swiftly forward. Miller at first thought there had been an earthquake. He was hurled up twenty feet, and when he struck the ground he made another ascension. Upon his descent he thought he would run, but a Devon short-horn was inserted in his trousers, and again he went up high enough to take a bird's-eye view of the surrounding country. On the twenty-fifth descent he fell on the other side of the fence from the bull, and we picked him up. His clothes were in ribbons. His nose was furled and bloody, and his mouth was full of grass and mud.

We asked him how he felt; but he said nothing. We inquired concerning the condition of his bones; but he made no reply. We asked him his views about bulls had undergone any change; but he walked silently along. We wanted to know how he enjoyed the scenery the last time he was up, but he would not say. He merely went into the house, filled up both barrels of his gun with old nails and screws and scraps of iron, and then he went out to interview that bull. The animal was a corpse in ten minutes, and then Miller peeled his undershirt and went up stairs to bed.

We know what his views are now, although he doesn't express them freely. —*Max Adeler.*

TITLED FOREIGNERS AS HUSBANDS.

From the Women's Journal.

I have lately received in a letter from a well-known English lady the following account, which will interest Americans from two points of view—first, as showing the danger that so often attends marriages with titled foreigners, and second, as illustrating the energy and independent spirit of American women. The writer says: "I have just made the acquaintance of an American lady who married a Frenchman—a man of title—who has made away with her money and run off with her lady's maid. She is very lovely and fascinating, and is now supporting herself by managing a large laundry. I went to see her and the laundry. It was a wonderful place, close to Paddington Green; an old manor house, in its own grounds of two or three acres. We went over every department, and everything seemed perfect. She has between seventy and eighty women constantly employed. Mme. S. (I do not know her maiden name, but think she came from New York) knows General Grant, and he has promised to spend an afternoon with her, and if in town I am to meet him there. I hope she will succeed with her laundry. I have great sympathy with the women workers—those who are not ashamed to work, those who do not feel that work degrades them."

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COLORED VS. BALD-HEADED.

Years ago the then well-known firm of W. & Co., Boston, agents for for a popular line of Australian packet ships, received a letter of inquiry from Cincinnati. Correspondence followed, and second cabin passages were engaged for Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hatfield, their son Joseph J., and Miss Blanche, who were politely urged to put in an appearance in Boston on or before May 5, as "the good ship Daniel Sharp, whereof Joseph D. Cushing is master for this present voyage," would sail on the day following, weather permitting.

On the morning designated a young darkey exquisite, sporting a tall hat and ivory-headed cane, sauntered into the elegantly-appointed office and demanded:

"Is dis yer de office of W. & Co.?"

"Yes, it is," growled the senior W., from behind his desk, frowning over his gold-bowed spectacles at the intruder.

"Well, sah, me and my folks are gwine out to Melboure in your ship Daniel Sharp, I"—

"Not if I know it—you are not going to do any such thing."

"How so, sah? Didn't I correspond wid you from Cincinnati, and engage passage for my fodder and my mudder and Miss Blanche?"

"What! is your name Hatfield?" roared the dismayed agent.

"Yes, sah, my name's Hatfield, and"—

"Why in the devil didn't you notify me that you were colored?"

"Why in de debbil didn't you notify me dat you was baldheaded?"

The pertinent rejoinder silenced old W., and although two or three passengers who preferred to have the color line drawn outside of a ship's second cabin gave up their berths and were refunded their passage money, the Hatfields complacently sailed in the Sharp.

CAUSE FOR DISGUST,

The Style of Men the Democrats Appoint at the Capital.

In a late letter to the Cincinnati *Enquirer*, Donn Piatt says:

A closer look at the sort of force the various officers of the house has called into existence makes one thank God that Sammy Tilden did not secure the presidency. Had that sort of thing been spread over the entire country I believe the wheels of government would cease to turn for lack of capacity. Mr. Foster, of Ohio, publicly designated the officials of the late house as respectable bummers. "Why he put in the word "respectable" bothers me, unless it was ironical. One is first struck with the fact that the democracy has control in passing from the senate end to the House by the dirt on all sides. The corridors are dingy and dirty, while the floors are covered with pools of tobacco spit and stumps of cigars. After this the sight of the doorkeepers and clerks gives evidence that a class is about representing the great unwashed.

You may consider this a little too severe. If so, come on and take a look for yourself. But I am not so uncommonly nice as to row about this sort of neglect, but the worst feature remains untold. There is not one officer, either clerk, doorkeeper, or sergeant-at-arms, who is able to find in the democracy men of sufficient education to act in positions where such education is required. There is the clerk, for instance. In the opening of the late congress he turned out the librarian of the house because such librarian was a republican. He hired an ex-congressman from Kentucky, who failed, and then he run through a lively lot of experiments until the house lost patience at being deprived of the use of the library, and by resolution forced him to restore the negro messenger, who is there to-day acting as librarian—not only a republican—but a black republican. A beautiful commentary that on the intelligence of the class members fetch up from their districts to fill these places.

This same clerk has in his employ, and cannot dispense with his services, a man who for sixteen years has been and is notoriously a lobbyist for the gas company here that is owned in Philadelphia. I could fill my letter with cases illustrative of his incapacity. You must not blame the clerk, doorkeeper and sergeant-at-arms for these appointments. They had to select from the people whom the members put forward. Every M. C. has a lot of political bummers depending on him, who follow him to Washington, and he has to provide for some of the worst or be murdered. He pushes the most obnoxious upon the poor fellows who have to make up a force to run the house.

Nor am I an advocate of the beastly system of filling places with political adherents for services at the polls. Had these gentlemen retained one and all of the old republican lot I would have made no objection. But as they did not make a sweep, or attempt it, I only call your attention to the result.

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Dec. 8-d&w3w

ALL those who are not satisfied with graveled streets should set their heads to work to invent something better for muddy times. We notice that draymen and others who move about on wheels, take a good deal of pains to get on to the gravel, which certainly indicates that it is an improvement upon mud.

THE Tuscola *Review* speaks in very flattering terms of a discourse preached at the union thanksgiving service in that city, by Rev. W. D. Best, late pastor of Stapp's Chapel in this city. Mr. Best is now pastor of the M. E. Church in Tuscola, and we are happy to learn stands very high with his people, as well as with the public generally.

IT has become quite common for men and boys to carry pistols about their persons. There is a law regulating this practice of carrying concealed weapons, which ought, in every instance, to be rigidly enforced. Accidents are daily happening whereby innocent persons are hurried into eternity without a moment's warning by the accidental discharge of deadly weapons in the hands of thoughtless men and careless boys. Only cowards and the police carry weapons in a peaceable community.

THE Danville *Commercial* says:

"The turkey-eating part of thanksgiving day was very generally observed in this city. The praise God department, however, appeared to be patronizad to a very limited degree."

Decatur did better than that, for while they did full justice to the "turkey-eating department," they crowded the Presbyterian church to its full capacity to attend to the "praise God department."

FAIR AND FESTIVAL.—It should not be forgotten that the young ladies of the Presbyterian congregation are to give a grand fair and festival at the opera house, on Friday evening, Dec. 21st. All varieties of fancy needle work, and a great variety of other articles, will be on sale; also a beautiful doll, which will be sold at auction, unless otherwise disposed of. Refreshments will be abundant, and the best which the market affords. We have no doubt that the young ladies will receive a liberal patronage, as they deserve to. In addition to the fine exhibition of fancy goods and delicious refreshments, great care will be taken to render the occasion in all respects agreeable socially. All are invited, with the assurance on the part of the young ladies that they will do their best to contribute to the enjoyment of all in attendance.

From Saturday's Daily.

CRUSHED LIMBS.—Yesterday afternoon a very sad accident occurred to a boy by the name of Casner, a son of Mr. Fred. Casner. It seems that the switch engine was doing some work in she vicinity of the woolen mill, and had just been detached from a car that it was moving, leaving the car to follow by its momentum to the point where it was to be stopped. The lad noticing the engine pass, and not seeing the car, stepped upon the track just in time to be struck by the latter, and knocked down, the wheels passing over his right arm and leg, crushing them in a fearful manner. The unfortunate boy was taken to the residence of Mr. Joseph Elwell, corner of Broadway and Cerro Gordo streets, where he received every possible attention. Dr. R. L. Walston, of the Surgical Institute, was called, and amputated the mangled leg just below the knee, and the arm just above the elbow.

This sad accident should be a warning to boys about being around cars that are in motion. The misfortune seems all the more painful on account of falling upon a family that can ill afford to bear it.—Mr. Casner, the father of the boy, is, we understand, a plasterer by trade, and in somewhat straighened circumstances, and the mother is now sick with fever.—We presume the neighbors will bear these facts in mind, and do what may need to be done to render the family comfortable in their double misfortune.

This morning the attending physician found the boy much better than could have been expected and in the best of spirits. When the doctor asked him how he was, he facetiously replied: "I haven't lost a meal, I ate my supper before I got hurt, and have had a hearty breakfast this morning." This for a ten-year-old boy showed pretty good grit.

To avoid getting sick buy a pair of those warm shoes at Barber & Baker's.
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From Thursday's Daily.

THE TEMPERANCE CONVENTION.

Pursuant to a call issued by a committee appointed by the National Christian Temperance Union, delegates from "Unions" and "Alliances" in the several towns and cities in this state assembled in this city yesterday for the purpose of organizing a State Christian Temperance Union for Illinois, auxiliary to the National Union.

On motion Mr. Frank Priest, of Decatur, was appointed temporary chairman, and Mr. J. W. Lord, of Shelbyville, was appointed secretary.

A committee on credentials was appointed by the chair, consisting of the following gentlemen: Mr. J. R. Gorin, of Decatur; Rev. Dr. Stevenson, of Shelbyville, and Rev. Mr. Haverly, of Pekin.

The committee asked all the delegates present to hand in their names to the committee, and retired for consultation. These delegates to the number of about seventy-five met in the room of the Decatur Reform Club at 2 o'clock p. m., and were called to order by Rev. C. E. Page, of Cleveland, Ohio, who has been appointed by the National Union to superintend the organization of State Unions.

After examining the credentials the committee reported the following as delegates:

Decatur—D. L. Bunn, F. Priest, Theo. Nelson, Thos. Hays and J. R. Gorin.

Cerro Gordo—E. A. Barnwell, James Huff, Jno. Marsh, L. L. Pitts and Albert Garver.

Ridge Chapel—A. B. Heath and Oscar Baker.

Long Creek—Jacob Lichtenberger, N W Rucker, T L Davis, C H. Lichtenberger and Jacob Lyons.

Jacksonville—W N Rutledge, Rev S M Morton and A Armstrong.

Wheatland—J M Dawson, W H Montgomery, S S Hopkins, W F Martin and Geo Conner.

Oreana—A. Zergor and M Zergor.

Shelbyville—Rev. W. Stevenson, Jno. Freeman and J W Lord.

Virginia—Hon W W Easley, C Cummings and Rev J L Richardson.

Assumption—W. Watson, Doctor H D Bixby, H H Andrews and D F Foster.

Pana—J T Orr, J C R ——, J McQueen, Dr Mayhew.

Pekin—Rev M T Havermall, Ira Sypes, J N Dunn, J McCullough and R Reardon.

Maron—J H Crocker, W J Compton and F Murphy.

Sullivan—Hon Wilson M Stanley and A L Keller.

Macon—S G Washburn, B F Hight, Wm Harbert, A Hugent.

Logan County—D H Hart.

Moawequa—J Loush, J Friedley, C W Marsh and James Freeman

Mt. Zion—Doctor A D Bridgman, A M Stoker and J P Jones.

Clinton—Hon W L Chambers, Rev J C Rucker, Homer Taylor, W D Snell and W W Grabsen.

Warrensburg—M D Hornback, Z Boughn.

After considerable discussion as to whether the organization would be auxiliary to the National Union, J. W. Lord offered a substitute to a motion, recommending that the chair appoint a committee of five to call another convention at an early day, and the convention adjourn. Tabled.

The chair appointed a committee of five to draft a constitution, consisting of the following gentlemen: Haverhill, Morton, Orr, Stevenson and Gorin.

Committees were appointed on permanent officers and resolutions.

EVENING SESSSION.

Delegates re-assembled at 7.30, and the committee on resolutions reported the following, which were adopted:

WHEREAS, "In union there is strength," and, whereas, it is the sense of this convention, that the National C. T. U., with its state auxiliaries and local unions, is the most efficient agency of accomplishing the work of the great temperance movement of the present day, be it therefore

Resolved, That we recommend and most cordially invite all local organizations, of whatever origin or name, to adopt the spirit and form of this national organization, and to secure a charter from the state auxiliary.

Resolved, That we recommend all local unions and workers to use the pledge prepared and furnished by the National Executive Committee through the State Executive Board.

Resolved, That the State Board be instructed to prepare printed instructions to govern workers in organizing local unions under the State constitution

Resolved, That the State Executive Board be instructed to give credentials to such persons as in their judgment are competent and needed to hold meetings throughout the state, subject always to the control of such board.

D. L. Bunn, Theo. Nelson and J. R. Gorin were selected to prepare an address to be sent to the chairman of each union or club in the state.

The report of committee on constitution was received, and after several amendments a motion to adopt the whole was carried.

The committee reported nominations as permanent officers of the state convention, and the following officers of the State Christian Temperance Union were elected:

President—J. R. Gorin, of Decatur.

Vice Presidents—First, Hon. Levi H. Rhodes, Rockford; second, J. O. Henry, Vandalia.

Board of Managers—M. P. Ayers, Jacksonville; Hon. W. L. Chambers, Clinton; A. C. Mouser, Sullivan; D. L. Bunn, Decatur; Dr. T. B. Ferry, Lincoln

Recording Secretary—Theo. Nelson, Decatur.

Corresponding Secretary — John H. Brayton, Decatur.

Treasurer—F. Priest, Decatur.

Moved and carried, that the next meeting of the State organization be held in Pekin, Ill., the 2d Tuesday in September, 1878. Adjourned.

"The Poor Ye Have with ye Always."

A forcible reminder of the above saying of our Savior was noticeable on North Franklin street, in the person of two children, a boy and girl, apparently brother and sister, and evidently not more than five and seven years of age, the girl being the older of the two. Their clothing was exceedingly thin and considerably torn, and upon their feet they wore what were once shoes, with holes so large that the toes protruded themselves into full view, while the soles were apparently not thicker than cloth. The little creatures were shivering with the cold, and their faces were fairly purple, so thoroughly chilled were they. We presume that these were simply representatives of a large number of children in the city, who are not only destitute of all luxuries, but whose homes are not provided with food and raiment sufficient to prevent actual suffering.

Those who are blest with the comforts of life have but little idea of the actual amount of suffering there is right here in Decatur, on account of a lack of the necessaries of life, and many when made acquainted with cases of suffering charge it up to laziness and bad management, and excuse themselves from doing anything to relieve the suffering of the poor on that ground. It is quite probable that in many cases suffering is entailed upon small and helpless children by the shiftlessness of their parents, but it should be remembered that so far as the children are concerned suffering is unavoidable, and they are therefore entitled to the sympathy and assistance of the public. We trust, therefore, that a liberal spirit and policy will prevail among our people as to providing for the poor of the city the present winter. While it may not always be possible to discriminate between worthy and unworthy objects of charity, we claim that it is better that a dozen be assisted who do not deserve it rather than that one should suffer who really needs and deserves help. We hope that citizens will organize for systematic effort and co-operation for the relief of the poor. If a father and husband is a worthless drunkard, that fact furnishes the strongest of reasons why his wife and children should have the sympathy and assistance of the public, and the husband should be sought out and persuaded to better modes of life.

THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Report of attendance in the public schools of Decatur, Illinois, for the month ending Nov. 30th, 1877:

Number enrolled	1,600
Average " belonging	1,527
" daily attendance	1,463
" per cent. of attendance	.95
Number of tardinesses	196
" neither absent nor tardy	919

IN THE HIGH SCHOOL.

Number enrolled	187
Average number belonging	179
" daily attendance	176
" per cent. of attendance	98.4
Number of tardinesses	15
" neither absent nor tardy	134

The tardinesses in the high school are caused by the following pupils:

John Boyd 3, Nellie Harry 2, Bertha Hendricks 1, Agnes Humphrey 1, Viola Moore 1, Ella Robbins 1, Hester Baldwin 1, John Boyer 1, Rea Murray 1, Cyrus Randolph 1, William Kramer 1, Charles Ewing 1.

E. A. GASTMAN, Sup't.

From Thursday's Daily.

THE CONVENTION OF YESTERDAY.—As a State Convention the meeting which adjourned here yesterday was exceedingly small numerically, which was owing to the fact that only a brief notice was given, some of the local Unions and Alliances represented having received the circular giving the call only a day or two before the time fixed for holding the convention, while it may be true that some of the associations did not receive the circular at all; but what the meeting lacked in numbers it made up in spirit. Both the afternoon and evening the discussions upon the various points under consideration were earnest and spirited and evinced on the part of the delegates present a desire to do what would be best to promote the interests of the cause of temperance. The proceedings of the body in full will be found in another place. The convention reached a final adjournment last evening about ten o'clock, and the members from other towns returned home last night and to-day. As will be seen by the proceedings, the annual meeting is to be held at Pekin in September next.

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Librarian's Report for October and November.

No. books loaned	5,661
Average No. books loaned per day	112
Number of visitors to Library and Reading Room	9,246
No. registered borrowers to Dec. 1	2,347
Fines, etc	$17 02

R. L. EVANS, Librarian.

From Friday's Daily.

ON last Tuesday evening Ald. Muzzy addressed a large meeting at Elwin, in the interest of temperance, and those who heard the alderman say that he made a good speech and pleased his congregation much. The people of Elwin and the region round about that burg are thoroughly aroused on the subject of temperance, the larger proportion having signed the pledge and become active workers in the cause.

MACON COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 5—AFTERNOON.

Court convened at 1 o'clock, and acted upon cases as follows:

The People, use of Thos. Atteberry, vs. Albion Daggett et al; debt. Trial by court; issues for plaintiff.

Adjourned to 8 o'clock Thursday morning.

THURSDAY, DEC. 6.

Kemp W. Conn, appellant, vs. Eliza Richardson. Dismissed by agreement, each party paying its own cost.

E. F. Delbridge, appellant, vs. M. Larsen. Dismissed as per agreement on file.

Thomas Lord and Daniel Boyer vs. Albert Barr; distress for rent. Leave to amend distress warrant on payment of one-fifth costs to date.

John Ryan vs. Illinois Midland Railway Company; assumpsit. Defendant defaulted.

E. F. Delbridge, use of R. R. Goolson, vs. Mar. Larsen, appellant. Dismissed as per agreement on file.

A. A. Hooker vs. Patrick Brown et al; appellants. Same order.

The People of the State of Illinois for the use of Lovell Thompson vs. Wm. H. May and Francis May; debt. Rule to plead extended to second Monday by consent.

Elizabeth Young vs. Alexander Patterton; distress for rent. Defendant defaulted.

Spriegal, Thomas & Co., vs. David Givler; assumpsit. Continued.

Adjourned to 1 o'clock p. m.

FRIDAY, DEC. 7.

Court convened at 8½ o'clock, A. M., Judge Nelson presiding.

The following cases received attention:

COMMON LAW DOCKET.

David Allen vs. Illinois Midland Railway Co.; assumpsit. Dismissed at plaintiff's costs.

Adams, Earle & Co. vs. J. Selig & Co.; appeal; three cases. Dismissed by plaintiff.

Ellen Law vs. George W. McMillen and John W. Tyler; assumpsit. Defendants defaulted. Court assessed damages at $1,002.32.

Helen L. Ormsby vs. Geo. F. Wessels; Defendant defaulted. Court assessed $1,057.78.

Watson Coal and Mining Co. vs. L. F. Muzzy; assumpsit; defendant defaulted; court assessed damages at $218.45.

David Garver vs. Thomas Medlow and George Eicholtz; assumpsit. Defendants defaulted. Court assessed $730.44.

Peddecord & Burrows vs. John W. Barton et al.; assumpsit. Defendant, Robt. Timmons, defaulted. Court assessed $224.78.

Elwood & Co. vs. Michael K. Carroll. Defendant defaulted, and court assessed $235.50.

Presley H. Crider vs. Elias A. Stare et al.; assumpsit! Fred. Aholtz defaulted. Court assessed $1,065.83.

Gustavus Holber vs Louis R. Cain; assumpsit; Defendant defaulted.

Seret & Stafford vs. S. T. Keeler; assumpsit. Defendant defaulted.

CHANCERY DOCKET.

Frank McCormick vs. Laura J. Wood; foreclosure. Proof of publication made.

Jonas Wenrick vs. Mary C. Wenrick; divorce. Same order.

Lucy E. Jones vs. Henry C. Jones; divorce. Same order.

Mary Christen et al., ex parte; chancery. Referred to master to take proof.

COMMON LAW DOCKET.

Louisa M. Cassell vs. Samuel G. Malone; assumpsit. Trial by court, pending which which court adjourned to 1 o'clock p. m.

SATURDAY, DEC. 8.

Court convened at 8½ o'clock a. m. and acted upon the following cases.

COMMON LAW DOCKET.

Crea & Ewing vs. Charles Weifel; attachment. Defendant defaulted. Court assessed $358 40.

Chenoweth & Walston vs. Patrick Cunningham; attachment. Continued.

W. J. & C. Chenoweth vs. Same. Same order.

Andrew J. Stoner vs. Wm. J. Cherry; assumpsit. Default taken. Court assessed $170.

Chenoweth & Walston vs. Frederick Bickes; assumpsit. Default. Court assessed $67.

Elias A. Stare vs. Stacy A. Lunsford; assumpsit. Default. Court assessed $87.

Henry Bishop, assignee, &c., vs. H. H. Rosengrants; assumpsit. Default. Court assessed $802.60.

Adjourned to one o'clock, Monday, December 10th.

COMMITTEE MEETING.—The executive committee of the Illinois Firemen's Association is to meet in Chicago on the 19th inst., when arrangements will be made for the Illinois State Firemen's Tournament for 1878. If any of the Decatur firemen desire to submit any suggestions for the consideration of the committee, they can forward them in writing.

CHANGE OF HEADQUARTERS.—The Grenadiers have changed their headquarters and now have their armory in Powers' Hall, where in many respects they are much better accommodated than in the old place. The Grenadiers will be, when fully uniformed, as fine looking a military corps as Illinois can turn out. They are to have a grand ball on New Year's eve.

From Friday's Daily.

REFORM CLUB.

The meeting of the Reform Club last night was an excellent one in spirit and large in attendance. Mr. J. B. McDonald, president of the club, occupied the chair. A few items of business received the attention of the club, such as voting thanks to those who assisted in presenting the play of "The Drunkard;" also to Miss Lawson, for a beautiful motto for the use of the club. A resolution was also adopted inviting the Young Men's Christian Association to hold its meeting in the club room on Tuesday evening next. In the course of the evening a letter was read from Brother Jake, who is now conducting a temperance campaign in Springfield. It was voted to print the letter and place it in a handsome frame, to be hung in the hall. The time for electing officers was fixed for Friday night preceding Christmas. A very interesting address was delivered by Rev. C. E. Page, which was listened to with much interest.

A meeting was appointed for next Monday night, for the purpose of making arrangements to go to Springfield, on the occasion of the excursion next week.

The meeting last night was one of the best yet held, and will have a tendency to stimulate the members to greater diligence in their work.

DEATH OF LITTLE WALTER THATCHER.—In another place will be found a death notice of this unusually bright and interesting child. The event will draw toward Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Thatcher, the grief-stricken parents, the warmest sympathy of their neighbors and friends.—Little Walter was not only the light and joy of the home circle, but was dearly loved by all who had become acquainted with his genial spirit and pleasant ways, and all who knew him will most deeply regret his early demise. Some weeks ago he was stricken down with scarlet fever, which for several days threatened to prove fatal, but by skillful medical attention and careful nursing he was finally restored, so far as to be at play about the house, and all apprehension of danger had subsided. But while hope was buoyant, the little fellow was a few days ago stricken down—this time with diptheria, in a malignant form, and despite all efforts to arrest this dreaded disease, it terminated fatally soon after midnight this morning.

GOOD ADVICE.—A sensible farmer writes as follows to an exchange: "Now is the time when farmers should be careful. If you have a few dollars to invest, do not spend it for something to look at and admire, but buy a calf or two, and you will find it a good investment.—Another thing: your summer's work is done; where is your machinery? The garden rake has climbed a tree, the hoe is in the potato-patch, the corn plow in the fence corner, the mower and hay-rake out on the prairie. Farmers, this is one of the greatest mistakes you ever made in your life. You should take care of your implements. Put them away in the dry, and they will last twice as long as tools that are allowed to lie around in the weeds and rot from one using time to another.

From Saturday's Daily.

AT MOAWEQUA.—Last night a large and enthusiastic temperance meeting was held at Moawequa in Union hall, which was addressed by Hon. A. B. Bunn and C. J. Holt, of this city. Mr. Bunn made one of his ablest efforts and carried the audience with him as by storm. Charley made a good talk and the meeting was in all respects a grand success. The reform club of Moawequa has fitted up a reading room in very comfortable shape and thoroughly organized for work. The total number of signers to the pledge is 1,065, embracing all the prominent men of the town as well as those who have been hard drinkers.

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ACCIDENT. — Yesterday afternoon a young man named Atherton, residing near Hervey City, while hunting, attempted to give his brother, who was on the opposite side of the hedge, a shot-gun; the hammer caught on a twig, causing the discharge of the gun, the contents lodging in his brother's arm, so tearing the muscles as to make it necessary to amputate just below the elbow. Dr. Collet, of Lovington, operated, assisted by Dr. Chenoweth of Decatur.

DIED.

On Saturday, Dec. 1st, at Central City, Colorado, MRS. ANNIE, wife of Edward H. Casner, and daughter of Policeman Joseph P. Leake, of this city.

The deceased and her husband were formerly residents of this city, and their many friends here will deeply regret the early death of one with whom their acquaintance had been so pleasant.

On the morning of Friday, Dec. 7th, WALTER LEON, son of Charles P. and Neta Thatcher, aged 4 years and 6 months.

"Cheap Charley" Out-Generaled.

Does not that sound like the story of the felon running away from his pursuers? "Stop the thief!" Is it not the best acknowledgment of the superiority of our goods, and our low prices, when our competitors turn point blank against us.—Cheap Charley quotes no prices, but proves himself the poor man's friend by underselling every one and every thing, simply by selling retail at wholesale prices. d&wtf.

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[NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS: All subject matter intended for this column should be addressed to I. E. Brown or Miss M. F. Fulton, Decatur; or J. Tranter, Blue Mound, Ill.]

WE hope none of the teachers failed to see the occulation of Venus last Saturday night. Besides the beauty of the sight, which could hardly be excelled, and its novelty, it had an educational advantage in showing clearly the rapid motion of the moon to the eastward in her journey around the earth. Notice to-night that, while Venus occupies nearly the same position as on last Saturday evening, the moon is far to the eastward.

DO NOT forget that the State Teachers' Association holds its next annual meeting at Springfield, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 26, 27 and 28. Among the attractions will be a paper by Dr. McCosh, of Princeton, N. J.

FROM the final report of the Illinois Educational Centennial Fund just made to the State Teachers' Association by E. A. Gastman, of Decatur, we learn that the total amount paid in was $4,326.84.—Of this sum Macon county paid $142 35.

ILLINOIS was the only state in the union whose teachers made an exhibit of their educational work at their own expense. Many of the representatives of foreign nations expressed great surprise that the teachers should undertake such a work without aid from the state treasury. The above report is proof that the whole business was well managed.

MACON COUNTY TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.

The Association met Dec. 1st, at the superintendent's office in Decatur.

The president being absent, vice president Mountz called the Association to order.

After roll call and reading of the minutes of the previous meeting, Miss McGuire being absent, Mr. Mountz took charge of the reading exercise.

The Centennial Hymn, by Whittier, was read; also an extract from Lincoln's address at the dedication of Gettysburg Cemetery.

The reading was freely criticised by members of the class.

No teacher named in the programme being present, members gave their views of object lessons. Teachers generally thought much of object lessons, to be used at times to liven up the school, and also to teach children habits of observation and reflection.

Programme teachers being yet absent, the subject of compositions, declamations, school government and other subjects interesting to teachers were discussed.

How shall we interest our pupils in the study of grammar was discussed by several members, Miss Belle Fulton taking the lead. Amongst others, Mr. Gastman gave some good views in regard to writing sentences, use of capitals, punctuation, etc.

Mr. Gastman, as chairman of committee for Normal Institute, stated that they had decided to have an Institute, commencing about the 18th of July next, to continue four weeks—other particulars to be made known as soon as decided upon.

The following programme was arranged for next meeting:

10:30 to 11:15—Arithmetic, (analysis) I. E Brown.

11:15 to 12—Grammar, (Rel Pro.) S. S Mountz.

1:30 to 2:15—Reading, (The Schoolmaster's Guests), Andrew Wilson.

2:15 to 3—Zoology, (Batracians), E. A. Gastman.

Association adjourned to meet the first Saturday in January.

J. B ALCOTT, Sec.

DOTY'S SUMMARY OF SCHOOL RULES.
(Continued.)

A Teacher's Duty to Himself.

1. To use every effort to improve yourself in the science and art of governing and teaching a school.

2. To exercise a watchful care over every word and act (teaching by example as well as by precept.

3. To be systematic and methodical in all your work.

4. To be very cautious, careful, and circumspect in everything you say and do in the presence of your pupils.

To the School.

5. To have a carefully prepared programme for daily exercises, and to follow it closely in your work.

6. To *talk* little, and a natural tone of voice, but *do* much in school

7. To rely upon your own tact, skill, energy, and devotion to your work.

8. To be at your post in time, or never to be tardy.

9. To give your undivided attention to school duties, never reading books, making out school reports, nor writing letters during school hours.

10. To speak the English language in its purity.

11. To feel an honest pride in your school, and a determination to have it take high rank among schools.

To Parents.

12. To avoid wounding the feelings of any parent by word or manner.

13. To endeavor to secure the confidence and co-operation of parents in your efforts to benefit their children.

14. To know that a dispassionate conversation with a parent will almost invariably convince him that you are pursuing a correct course with his children.

To other Teachers

15. To aid and encourage fellow-teachers by a friendly appreciation of their work and efforts.

(Concluded next week.)

TARDINESS.

I believe this to be a trouble that nearly all teachers meet with in county schools. I have tried in various ways to correct the habit for it is in most cases habit—but have never succeeded so well with any other as the following plan:

After a few remarks to the school about the subject, I asked how many would try to be on time hereafter. They were all willing to try. I then told them that I did not think they could break up the habit immediately, but I should like to know how nearly they could do it by trying; but as I had not time to note all those who come after we have begun work, I suggested that we might put the word "Late" upon the blackboard when the bell is rung, and let those who come afterward put their names underneath it, that I may see them any time during the forenoon, and at the end of the week I should inquire about the matter and learn how much we could improve. Upon voting, it was found that all were agreed to try the "new plan." The first week showed quite a number late, but we have improved steadily, and having given it two months' trial, I am well pleased with the result.

It affords me much pleasure to observe the hurried manner in which the pupils come to school when they suppose that they are nearly late; besides being rid of the annoyance caused by those who were formerly too thoughtless to cultivate the habit of punctuality.

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TEACHERS' MEETINGS IN DECATUR.

The third and last teachers' meeting of the present term will be held in the High School hall on Saturday next, December 15th, commencing at 9 o'clock a. m.

By a vote of the teachers, one hour at each meeting during the year, will be given to the study and criticism of Shakespeare's Hamlet. This exercise is conducted by Miss Judd.

W. H. Smith, Esq., Sup't of McLean county, will be present on Saturday, and will drill the teachers on what he considers important points in teaching reading. He will also read a few selections.

Those meetings are always open to the public, and teachers and all friends of education are cordially invited to attend them.

E. A. GASTMAN.

BUCHAREST, Monday, Dec. 10.—After a severe engagement, yesterday, before Plevna, Osman Pasha, who was wounded, surrendered unconditionally.

The Turks in Plevna were dying with hunger and cold.

There is great joy here. Bucharest is covered with flags.

SECOND BULLETIN.

Bucharest, Dec. 10.—Plevna is now in the hands of the Russo-Roumanian armies. The *Agence Russe* makes the following announcement: "Osman Pasha attempted to break through in the direction of Widdin. He was attacked in the front and rear, and was compelled to lay down arms after a glorious struggle, in which he was seriously wounded. All with one voice praise his conduct.

MANSFIELD, O., Dec. 8.—Webb, the leged perpetrator of the fiendish murder of the Finney family, was arraigned before the Mayor to-day, pleaded not guilty, and was remanded to jail to await a trial before the court, now in session. His case will be taken up the first of the week. A daughter, aged 12 years, of Rev. J. P. Finney, son of the murdered man, testified before the coroner's jury, and gave a description of the clothing worn by the murderer, and his appearance on the night of the deed, and this exactly corresponds with that worn by the negro Webb the next morning when arrested. The child has not yet been confronted with the fiend. Her description leaves no doubt as to his identification by her when the case comes up. Webb, in an interview this morning, maintained a sullen silence. He is a low-browed, villainous-looking fellow, and is evidently a desperate man. The wife of Webb, and a woman by the name of Stambrough, who were in his house together on the night of the murder, have no knowledge of his being at home during the hours at which the deed was committed. The elder Mrs. Finney is slowly sinking, and will probably die to-night. The remaining members of the family will probably recover. The excitement all over the country is intense, particularly among the farming community, and should developments be made such as are anticipated, the people may take the law into their own hands. The funeral of Mr. Finney took place to-day and was largely attended.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 11—In the executive session of the senate to-day the nominations of Roosevelt, to be collector, and Prince, to be naval officer of the port of New York, were reported from the committee on commerce, unfavorably, and a favorable report was made on the nomination of Merritt, to be surveyor of customs. No action was taken.

The democratic senators held a consultation this afternoon concerning the New York custom house nominations. No action was taken, but the tone of the remarks indicated that the president will be almost unanimously sustained in them.

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—Directors of the German-American Bank decided to-night to suspend payment to-morrow and go into liquidation. Its liabilities to depositors are $65,000; assets, $108,000. The stockholders will lose 50 per cent. The capital stock was $135,000, and the bank has been gradually decreasing its indebtedness for a year.

COME TO TEA.—The ladies of Janes Chapel will give a tea supper on Tuesday evening, Dec. 18, at their chapel. Admission 25 cents, "in and out."

FURTHER PARTICULARS OF THE FALL OF PLEVNA.

The Number of Prisoners placed at Forty Thousand.

THE BONAPARTIST PARTY LOOMING UP IN FRANCE.

The Rande Case Continued to the February Term.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 10—Evening—The news of the fall of Plevna occasions great rejoicing here. The theaters are celebrating the victory by additions to the usual programme. Enthusiastic popular demonstrations in honor of the imperial family and the army are made in the streets and public places, where great crowds are assembled, cheering and singing the national anthem. The city is partially illuminated.

Bogot, Dec. 10.—At 9:30 this morning Osman Pasha's entire army attacked the Russian grenadier corps holding the line of investment on the left bank of the river Vid, endeavoring to force a passage. The attack was made with desperate energy, and a portion of the Turkish troops did in fact penetrate the line of entrenchment and batteries, but all attempts to break through the positions of the grenadiers were ineffectual. After five hours' severe fighting, the Turks were defeated, and Osman Pasha, surrounded on all sides, was compelled to surrender with his whole army. Up to the present time it is impossible to estimate the number of Turkish prisoners or the quantity of war material taken. We only know everything in Plevna has fallen into our hands. The Russian losses are inconsiderable compared with the result obtained.

New York, Dec. 11,—Special advices from Bucharest put the number of Turkish prisoners taken at Plevna at 40,000, and the number of guns captured at 400. The ground which was the scene of the sortie was literally strewn with thousands of dead and dying. Osman Pasha himself was severely wounded before he could consent to surrender. His valor, which is described as desperate, is everywhere the theme of conversation. Cold, disease and famine decimated the ranks and reduced the soldiers to living skeletons. To aggravate their sufferings, there was no doctor and no medicine could be obtained.

There has been an important rise in all classes of Russian securities of the London stock exchange, and they mhintain great firmness, notwithstanding that large realizing sales have been thrown upon the market.

Sofia must be captured, and that accomplished, no important obstacle remains to a rapid advance of the victorious Russians on Adrianople.

LONDON, Dec. 11—A Paris dispatch says it is believed if the Batbie combination fails, a Ministry of experienced Bonapartists will take the problem in hand and find a prompt solution.

A Paris dispatch announces that the Ministers have held several counsels. *Le Temps* states that they have been unable to agree upon a programme.—The troops in Paris and Versailles are confined to their barracks.

It is difficult to describe the intense feeling of uneasiness and apprehension that prevails. In accordance with the orders of the Ministry of the Interior, all gunsmiths' shops in Paris have their shutters up, but there is no outward symptom of agitation making such a precaution necessary. Some foreigners are leaving Paris.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—Various Paris specials show everything uncertain—The latest report is that M. Batbie has failed to form a ministry, and that M. Audiery de Nerdace has been summoned to the Elysee. The *Times'* Paris correspondent says he is not surprised at this announcement. M. De Nerdace is the mere mouthpiece of the Duke De Broglie, and if, as some believe, the Chambers should be prorogued, the Duke De Broglie will assume office on the morrow of its prorogation with a firm resolve to shrink from nothing. President MacMahon still believed he has the support of a majority of the Senate. It is the firm belief of those who know him best, if the Senate refuses dissolution and urges him to make overtures to the Left, he will comply. At the present moment it is certain that a proposal for dissolution could not obtain a majority in the Senate. The policy of the invisible advisers of the Marshal now, therefore, aims at dissolution, accompanied by some violent illegality, in the hope that when the Marshal is once committed to an illegal course he will persevere to overthrow the Constitution.

GALESBURG, Ill., Dec. 11.—The Charles C. Scott-Rande case has just been continued until the February term of the Circuit Court for this county, upon the proper affidavit. The people are represented by States Attorney J. J. Tunnycliff and J. A. McKenzie, and the defendant by Messrs. O. F. Price, R. C. Hunt and E. H. Leach, of this city, and C. G. Bradshaw, of Bloomington, and J. P. Stubbs, of Fairfield, Iowa. The greatest interest is felt, and the court house is filled nearly to suffocation. There appears to be no signs of violence. Two of Scott's brothers are here, and other friends from Fairfield, Iowa.

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Read His Statement:

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Decatur, Ill., Dec. 7th, A. D. 1877.
J. H. PICKRELL, Administrator.
Dec. 13—w3w

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